

KS3 Assessment at Braunton Academy

History Year 7

Grade	Students at this grade will typically show the following by the end of Year 7 in History
Y7 Showing Mastery	Consistently meets all the greater depth criteria, with clarity and originality
Y7 Working at Greater Depth Y7 Working at Expected Standard	 Demonstrates sound knowledge of the time periods studied Has an appreciation of the broad span of chronology Has a structured and coherent writing style that organises ideas / reasons Clearly articulates ideas linked to the question Able to give justifications for points made using tier 2 and 3 language in the correct context Makes reasoned judgements about individual points made Able to identify which reason is more important in an explanation Identifies what makes a person or event significant (or not) Places sources within a historical context Categorise sources Make supported inferences about a source Shows comprehension of sources and begins to appreciate their utility / reliability / provenance Begin to understand that different interpretations argue different things Demonstrates some knowledge of the time periods studied Has an understanding of chronology and sequencing periods/events Beginning to structure writing to make an argument using evidence Descriptive writing has some use of tier 2 and 3 vocabulary, and beginning explanations of reasons Able to make unsustained arguments with some relevance to question Attempts to form judgements about their points, explaining their point Attempts to prioritise reasons/ explanations Some identification of significance of person/event
	 Beginning to categorise a source within historical context Able to make basic inferences about a source Starts to make assumptions about utility of sources
Y7 Working Towards Expected Standard	 Demonstrates some awareness of the time periods studied in isolation Able to recognise key features of the time periods studied Able to list examples and/or be able to relay stories/narrative Able to attempt to form an extended response Able to give simple descriptions of historical events Able to make basic judgements/statements of opinion Makes unsubstantiated assertions Able to provide a simple description of a source Able to identify the type of source Able to identify features of a source



History Year 8

Grade	Students at this grade will typically show the following by the end of Year 8 in History
Showing Mastery	Consistently meets all the greater depth criteria, with clarity and originality
Working at Greater Depth	 Demonstrates a comprehensive knowledge of the time periods studied Demonstrates a clear chronological understanding within and between time periods and solid understanding of all lesson content Has a structured and coherent writing style with sustained reasoning / substantiation of points and some links between paragraphs / arguments Demonstrates consistent and confident use of historical language, tier 2 and 3 vocabulary Able to draw conclusions from the different reasons for events Discursive reasoning is in evidence (e.g. despite, although-type arguments) Makes balanced arguments and beginning to recognise links between factors Able to explain the significance of a person/event Uses historical context and some aspect of provenance of source to evaluate usefulness/value in answering a specific question Beginning to see how different historical interpretations and arguments are formed and draw conclusions about historical interpretations
Working at Expected Standard	 Demonstrates sound knowledge of the time periods studied Has an appreciation of the broad span of chronology Has a structured and coherent writing style that organises ideas / reasons Clearly articulates ideas linked to the question Able to give justifications for points made using tier 2 and 3 vocabulary in the correct context Makes reasoned judgements about individual points made Able to identify which reason is more important in an explanation Identifies what makes a person or event significant (or not) Places sources within a historical context Categorise sources Make supported inferences about a source Shows comprehension of sources and begins to explain their utility / reliability / provenance Begin to understand that different interpretations argue different things
Working Towards Expected Standard	 Demonstrates some knowledge of the time periods studied Has an understanding of chronology and sequencing periods/events Beginning to structure writing to make an argument using evidence Descriptive writing has some use of tier 2 and 3 vocabulary, and beginning explanations of reasons Able to make unsustained arguments with some relevance to question Attempts to form judgements about their points, explaining their point Attempts to prioritise reasons/ explanations Some identification of significance of person/event Beginning to categorise a source within historical context Able to make basic inferences about a source Starts to make assumptions about utility of sources



History Year 9

Grade	Students at this grade will typically show the following by the end of Year 9 in History
Showing Mastery	 Demonstrates wide-ranging and specific knowledge which is deployed precisely when making historical arguments. Goes beyond lesson content in terms of knowledge and / or originality of argument Has a strong sense of periods studied, going beyond content taught Able to use the language of extent (e.g. this is more significant / this is critical etc) Demonstrates consistent and confidence use of historical language, tier 2 and 3 vocabulary Maintains coherence in an extended argument, linked paragraphs, logical reasoning etc Able to make draw conclusions on the relative importance of reasons for events that are fully supported with evidence / prioritisation Establishes clear linkage of factors and appreciation of the interplay of factors Able to analyse the effects on different groups of events / comparative impact Able to evaluate the significance of a person / event Fully integrates historical context, and provenance of sources Able to explain how different historical interpretations and arguments are formed Able to evaluate historical interpretations (support or challenge with evidence)
Working at Greater Depth	 Demonstrates a clear knowledge of the time periods studied Demonstrates a clear chronological understanding within and between time periods, and solid understanding of all lesson content Has a clearly structured and coherent writing style with sustained reasoning / substantiation of points and clear links between paragraphs / arguments Demonstrates consistent and confident use of historical language, tier 2 and 3 vocabulary Able to draw substantiating conclusions from the different reasons for events Demonstrates confident reasoning Provides developed arguments that recognise links between factors Able to explain the significance of a person / event, with clear criteria for judgement Demonstrates a clear grasp of historical context and of provenance of source, linking these together, to evaluate usefulness / value Understands how different historical interpretations and arguments are formed and draw conclusions about historical interpretations
Working at Expected Standard	 Demonstrates a broader and deeper understanding of the time periods studied Demonstrates deeper chronological understanding within and between time periods and understanding of lesson content. Has a more secure structured and coherent writing style with sustained reasoning / substantiation of points and some links between paragraphs / arguments

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	 Demonstrates much more consistent and confident use of historical language, tier 2 and 3 vocabulary Able with increasing independence to draw conclusions from the different reasons for events Is able to use discursive reasoning when outlining evidence (e.g. despite, although-type arguments) Is able to more consistently make balanced arguments, whilst beginning to recognise links between factors Explains the significance / role of a person / event with more consistency. Demonstrates more consistent use of historical context and some aspects of provenance of source to evaluate usefulness / value in answering a specific question Is able to see how different historical interpretations and arguments are formed with more consistency.
Working Towards Expected Standard	 General awareness of the time periods studied in isolation Some appreciation of events in history Basic writing style that shows an attempt to give ideas/reasons Responds to the question with some relevance Gives simplistic opinions Some use of tier 3 vocabulary Simple descriptions and explanations of historical events May make a judgement but doesn't substantiate it Unsubstantiated assertions Describe a source Identify the type and features of a source Apply some historical knowledge Awareness that ideas about history vary

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