

Co-op Academy Walkden Curriculum Overview 2025-2026



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KS3 Subject:	History						
KS4 Qualifications	AQA						
5 Power Concepts:	Religion	Trade	Empire	Ordinary People	Power		
Year Group	Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
	Title/Theme	How did invasion, trade, and religion affect people's lives in Britain and the wider world before c1000-1517?					
7	Units	What travelled along the Silk Roads?	How far did the Normans transform England?	Which sources reveal the most about medieval peasants?	How did civilisations flourish in Africa during the medieval period?	Why did monarchs struggle to rule England in the medieval period?	What motivated European Knights to go on Crusades: God, greed or glory? How did the people of Elizabethan England view the Africans who arrived on British shores?
8	Title/Theme	How did the role of empires, trade and revolutions transform Britain and the rest of the world 1517-1918?					
8	Units	Was T.J.'s description of Britain as a "world turned upside down" an accurate description of the impact of the civil war?	What was the British Empire?	What was Britain's role in the enslavement of African people?	Can ideas lead to revolution?	'Disastrous and terrible' or the 'dawn of liberty'? How did Britain's rapid growth affect its Empire and the rest of the world?	Can protest lead to real change?
9	Title/Theme	How did political ideologies affect people's lives in Britain and the World in the 20th century?					
9	Units	How did Europe go to war in 1914? How did different people experience the First World War?	What were the causes and effects of the Russian Revolution?	Is 'The Interwar Period' a helpful term for describing the period 1918-39?	How should we write the history of the Holocaust?	What did decolonisation mean in the 1950s? What can oral histories tell us about life in the 1980s?	How effective has terrorism been since 1969?
10	Title/Theme	Paper 1: Understanding the modern world Section A: Period studies Paper 1: Understanding the modern world: Section B: Wider world depth studies					
10	Units	Germany, 1890-1945: Democracy	Germany, 1890-1945: Democracy	Conflict and tension between East and West	Conflict and tension between East and West, 1945-1972		
11	Title/Theme	Paper 2: Section A: shaping the nation: Thematic studies Paper 2: Section B: British depth studies including the historic environment					
11	Units	Britain: Health and the people: c100	Britain: Health and the people: c10	Elizabethan England, c1568-1603	Elizabethan England, c1568-1603		