

Curriculum Overview - Thomas Hall 2025/2026										History																														
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Year 7	Intro to Sources and Interpretations			Why do so many people want to be King of England - Anglo Saxon England				Why do so many people want to be King of England - Anglo Saxon England			The Black Death - Changing Lives in Medieval England				What was the impact of Henry's divorce on England?				How should Devon remember the Mayflower?		Mayflower																			
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Year 8	Why do so many people want to be King of England - Anglo Saxon England & Norman Conquest of Britain										What was the impact of Henry's divorce on England?				What lay behind Britain's transatlantic slave trade? (World Study)				WW2		WW2																			
Year 9	How and why did Hitler go from loser to leader?			Introduction to the Holocaust				Overview of WW2			American Civil Rights				Introduction to cold war		Introduction to cold war																							
Year 10	Weimar and Nazi Germany, 1918-39										Crime and punishment in Britain, c1000-present				Crime and punishment in Britain, c1000-present				Whitechapel, c1870-1900: crime, policing and the inner city.		Elizabethan England 1558-1588																			
Year 11	Than England 1558			Superspower Relations				Revision: Superspower relations and the Cold War, 1941-9			Revision: Elizabethan England 1558-1588			Revision: Weimar and Nazi Germany, 1918-39			Revision: Crime and punishment in Britain, c1000-present			Revision: Weimar and Nazi Germany, 1918-39			Revision: Crime and punishment in Britain, c1000-present			Revision: Elizabethan England 1558-1588			Revision: Superspower relations and the Cold War, 1941-91			Revision			GCSE Exams			GCSE Exams		