

GCSE History Content Checklist

Paper 1 – Crime and Punishment 1000 - Present

1000 - 1500 Medieval England		
Content	Detail	Revised?
Crime in Medieval England	The King as law maker, Paching.	
New Crimes	Forest Laws, Rebellions, Murdrum fine	
Anglo Saxon Law Enforcement	Society, Tithings, Hue and Cry, Courts, Oaths, Church trials.	
Norman and later medieval law enforcement	Continuity, change, parish constables, role of communities, role of government appointed officials	
Medieval Punishments	Types (capital/corporal), changes, social stauts, Norman.	
Influence of the Church	Benefit of the clergy, sanctuary, trial by ordeal.	
1500 - 1700 Early Modern		
Content	Detail	Revised?
Crime In Early Modern	Changes in society, increase in crimes against authority.	
New crimes in Early Modern	Vagrancy, smuggling, witchcraft.	
Law Enforcement	Continuity, change, church, watchmen, town constables.	
Punishment	Continuity, Bloody Code, Transportation to North America.	
Gunpowder Plotters	The Plot, Reasons for harsh punishment for treason.	
The Witch Hunts	Reasons, Matthew Hopkins, Evidence.	
1700 - 1900 18th and 19th Century Britain		
Content	Detail	Revised?
Crimes against person and property	Factors causing increase in crime, Highway robbery, poaching, Smuggling.	
Crimes against authority	Witchcraft, Tolpuddle Martyrs.	
Law Enforcement	Continuity and Change, Bow Street runners, Police Act 1856.	
Changing views	Factors that changed views on purpose of punishment, Transportation to Australia, Prisons and Prison Reformers.	
Pentonville Prison	The Model Prison, Reasons for the Separate system, Strengths and weaknesses of the separate system.	
Robert Peel	Reforming the penal code, Prison Reform, Metropolitan Police officers.	
1900 – Present Modern Britain		
Content	Detail	Revised?
Crime in Modern Britain	Continuity or Change, Smuggling, Terrorism.	
New Crimes	Changing society, race crimes, drug crimes, driving offences.	
Law Enforcement	Changes, Special Police, Neighbourhood Watch, Prevention, Science and Technology.	
Punishment	Abolition of Death Penalty, Controversial cases, Prison, New punishments, Rehabilitation.	
Conscientious Objectors	Conscription, attitudes to COs, Treatment WW1, Treatment WW2, Treatment by public.	
The Derek Bentley Case	Case study details, Public and Parliamentary opinion, Significance.	
Historic Environment – Whitechapel 1870 - 1900		
Content	Detail	Revised?
The Metropolitan Police	Poloce recruits, The 'beat' onstable, Development of CID, Commissioner Warren, Attitudes towards the police.	
Local Context	Housing, Provision for the Poor, Lack of employment, Link between environment and crime.	
Tensions	Reasons (different races, religions and cultures), Resulting tensions.	
Organisation of Policing	H Division, Attitudes to Police, Problems in policing, Whitechapel Vigilance Committee 1888.	

Investigating Policing	Techniques, Improvements, Rival police forces, The Media, Jack the Ripper.	
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Paper 2 – American West 1835-1895

American West

Early Settlement of the West 1835-1862		
Content	Detail	Revised?
Plains Indians	Society, Survival, Beliefs, US government policy (PIF and Indian Appropriations Act)	
Migration and early settlement	Economy in East, Oregon Trail, Gold Rush, Process and Problems, Donner Party, Mormons, Farming.	
Conflict and tension	White attitudes, Fort Laramie 1851, Lawlessness in early towns.	
Development of the Plains 1862-1876		
Content	Detail	Revised?
Development of settlement in the West	American Civil War, Homestead Act, Pacific Railroad Act, Problems of homesteading, Law and Order	
Ranching and cattle industry	Before and after Civil War, Joseph McCoy, Goodnight-Loving Trail, John Illiff, Cattle barons, Cowboys, Rivalry.	
Changes in Plains Indians way of life	Railroads, cattle industry, Gold, Reservations, Conflict – Little Crow and Red Clouds wars, Second Fort Laramie Treaty 1868.	
Conflicts and Conquest 1876-1895		
Content	Detail	Revised?
Changes in farming, cattle industry and settlement	New technology, Boom and Bust, End of open range, Exodusters, Oklahoma Land Rush	
Conflict and tension	Billy the Kid, Wyatt Earp, Johnson County War, Battle of Little Bighorn, Wounded Knee, Ghost Dance	
Destruction of Plains Indians way of life	Hunting and extermination of buffalo, Government policy, life on reservations, Dawes Act.	

Paper 3 – Weimar and Nazi Germany

The Weimar Republic 1918-29		
Content	Detail	Revised?
Origins of the Republic	Legacy of WWI, German Revolution, Setting up the Republic, Strengths and Weaknesses.	
Early challenges 1919-23	Treaty of Versailles, Dolschstoss, Challenges from Left and Right (Spartacists and Kapp Putsch), Occupation of the Ruhr, Hyperinflation.	
Recovery of the Republic 1924-29	Stresseman – his policies and their impact.	
Changes in society 1924-29	Living standards, women and culture.	
Hitler's Rise to power 1919-33		
Content	Detail	Revised?
Early development of the Nazi party 1920-22	Hitlers early career, the NSDAP and development of the SA.	
Munich Putsch and lean years 1923-29	Reasons, events and consequences of the Munich Putsch. NSDAP party reorganisation and the Bamberg conference.	
Growth in Nazi support 1929-32	Wall Street Crash. Support and appeal of the Nazis.	
Hitler becoming Chancellor 1932-33	Political developments of 1932. Hindenberg, Von Schleicher and Von Papen.	

Nazi control and dictatorship 1933-39		
Content	Detail	Revised?
Creation of a dictatorship 1933-34	Reichstag Fire, Enabling Act, Removing opposition, Night of the Long Knives, Death of Hindenberg.	
The Police State	SS, SD, Gestapo, Concentration camps, Legal System, Church and religious views.	
Controlling and Influencing attitudes	Goebbels and propaganda. Nazi control of culture, sports and the arts.	
Opposition, resistance and conformity	Opposition from the church and the Young (Swing Youth and Edelweiss pirates)	
Life in Nazi Germany 1933-39		
Content	Detail	Revised?
Policies towards women	Nazi views towards women and their policies.	
Policies towards the young	Nazi policies towards young, Nazi Youth Groups, Nazi control of young, Education.	
Employment and living standards	Nazi policies to reduce unemployment. Invisible unemployment. Changes in living standards.	
The persecution of minorities	Nazi beliefs, anti-Semitism, treatment of minorities, Kristallnacht.	