

Parents' guide to controlled assessment – HISTORY

How much is it worth?	What has to be done?	
<p>Students complete one controlled assessment</p> <p>Short Course – The Controlled Assessment is worth 50% of their final mark (and paper 1 makes up the other 50%)</p> <p>Full Course – The Controlled Assessment is worth 25% of their final mark (and paper 1 and paper 2 make up the other 75%)</p>	<p>The topic is called 'The British People in War' and is a study of life on the Home Front during the First and Second World Wars. The topic areas change each year but are selected from the following areas (Home Defence, Recruitment, Evacuation, Blitz, Rationing, Women)</p> <p>They have two questions. Both are using sources of evidence.</p> <p>Question One – How useful are the sources in enabling your study into....</p> <p>Question Two – Pupils are asked to say how far the sources they have used support a view on that topic e.g 'The Evacuation of Children was a great Success' How far do the eight sources you have used support this view?</p> <p>In class they will be taught the context of the period, researching the topic areas and analysing the sources in their research diary</p> <p>At home they will be expected to research the topic areas further, continue to analyse the sources and find at least 1 source of their own</p>	
When is it done?	Can parents help their children?	If the mark is low, can it be re-done or improved?
<p>Full Course History Students will start some introductory sessions in the summer of year 10 after their exam and will research the topics over the summer holidays. In September of year 11 they will start by learning the content and analysing the sources for question 1 which will be written over a period of 4 lessons in class (1 hour 30 minutes of writing time approx). This will be roughly week 3 of the term. After this they will then learn the content and analyse the sources for question 2 which they will then write up over a period of 5 lessons in class (2 hours 30 minutes of writing time approx). This will be roughly in week 6 of term. It should all be completed just after October Half Term.</p> <p>Short Course History Students will follow the same lesson structure as full course students and will be starting their coursework in the September of year 11. Question one will be complete by Christmas approximately and question two will be completed around February half term.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensuring that research diaries are neat • Ensuring that they have NOT written a draft in their research diary or annotated the sources in too much detail (any paragraphs would be considered planning their answer) • Encourage them to read about the topics and make notes in their research diary • To help them find sources of evidence • Ensure they are writing a list of where they have found the sources and any books or other materials that are used in their bibliography • Making sure they bring their book and source booklet in to every lesson 	<p>Once the Controlled Assessment has been completed it cannot be redone or improved.</p> <p>It is vital that pupils attend all their History lessons whilst researching the Controlled Assessment and during the write up so they do not miss out on time and vital information.</p> <p>It is also vital for their success that they participate and focus in each lesson and complete the homework tasks to the best of their ability.</p> <p>Failure to complete the coursework or to attend any catch up sessions will result in the loss of study leave in December of year 11 until it is completed.</p>