

Subject: *Modern European and World History (Edexcel)*

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Year 10 - Autumn Term 2010

Contents: what you will study

Unit 1: Peace and War: International Relations 1900- 1991

Three topics students study are:

1. **How did the Cold War develop? 1943-56**
 - The widening gulf between the Allies: the development of the ‘iron curtain’ and the Soviet control of Eastern Europe and the Allied response 1945–47.
 - The development of the Cold War, 1948–49 following the Berlin Airlift.
 - Hungary: the tightening of control.
2. **Three Cold War crises: : Berlin, Cuba and Czechoslovakia c1957–69**
 - Berlin: a divided city.
 - Cuba: the world on the brink of war.
 - Prague: Soviet control, the “Prague Spring”.
3. **Why did the Cold War end? (1979-1991) ? The invasion of Afghanistan(1979) to the collapse of the Soviet Union (1991)**
 - The collapse of détente — the effects of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan (1979).
 - Reagan and the US reaction.
 - Gorbachev and Eastern Europe, the end of the Cold War and the collapse of the Soviet Union.

National Curriculum levels at which you will work

GCSE Grades A-C

Skills which you will develop this term:

- Vocabulary skills
- Research skills
- Source interpretation, evaluation and analysis
- Essay skills

Assessment: how you will be tested this term

External examination (1 hour 15 minutes)25% of GCSE

Outline study – GCSE – Mock exam techniques – detailed source analysis and essay techniques

Equipment which you will need for this terms work

Text book and exercise book

Key words which you will need to learn for this term’s work

Will be provided in class.

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Unit 2: Russia 1917-39

1. ***The collapse of the Tsarist regime 1917***
 - The nature of Tsarist rule.
 - The impact of the First World War.
 - The fall of the Tsar and the establishment of the Provisional Government
2. ***Bolshevik takeover and consolidation 1917–24***
 - The October revolution
 - Imposing Bolshevik control, 1917–21.
 - Creating a new society, 1918–24.

National Curriculum levels at which you will work

GCSE Grades A-C

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Depth Study – GCSE – Mock exam techniques – detailed source analysis and essay techniques

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