

## KS4 History Reading List

We will study 4 topics:

- Medicine Through Time including Medicine on the Western Front (WWI)
- American West
- Early Elizabethan England
- Weimar and Nazi Germany

The exam board is EDEXCEL.

Textbooks and published resources are available here:

[Edexcel GCSE History \(2016\) | Pearson qualifications](#)

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/history-2016/resources.html?filterQuery=category:Pearson-UK:Publisher%2FPearson>

You can search for articles from historians at the websites listed below. Some are locked and you need to pay but there are plenty of free ones available.

[About Historic UK | Cottages, Castle Hotels and a History Magazine](#)

[HistoryExtra | BBC History Magazine's Official Website | HistoryExtra](#)

[History Articles | History Hit](#)

Keep your eye on BBC News as well. Sometimes new discoveries are found and are written about here:

[History - BBC News](#)

# Medicine Through Time

## Books:

### All found in our school library

Medieval Bodies by Jack Hartnell

The Butchering Art by Lindsey Fitzharris

A short history of medicine by Steve Parker

Ring of Roses by Mary Hooper

The Black Death by Rob Lloyd Jones

## Documentaries/Films/TV:

[Lucy Worsley Investigates - Series 1: 2. The Black Death - BBC iPlayer](#)

[Florence Nightingale: Nursing Pioneer - BBC iPlayer](#)  
(1 episode)

### The Great Plague

[https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource\\_id=59701&share\\_key=19b6fe9a-5cda-47bd-9dec-97a564cc6a22](https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=59701&share_key=19b6fe9a-5cda-47bd-9dec-97a564cc6a22)

### SI E5: King Death | A History of Britain by Simon Schama

[https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource\\_id=61016&share\\_key=f6d8fd01-7cfb-404d-800b-a83cf3c05c9b](https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=61016&share_key=f6d8fd01-7cfb-404d-800b-a83cf3c05c9b)

### Medicine and War | History File

[https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource\\_id=61843&share\\_key=57ea7802-cf1a-4deb-94f5-1bb9b8bbdc88](https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=61843&share_key=57ea7802-cf1a-4deb-94f5-1bb9b8bbdc88)

## Other:

BBC Bitesize

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zppr4xs>

National Archives

<https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/education/curriculum-topics/?curriculum-topic=medicine-through-time>

# American West

<p><b>Books:</b> <b>All found in our school library</b></p> <p>Bury my heart at wounded knee by Dee Brown</p> <p>The Earth is weeping by Peter Cozzens</p>	<p><b>Documentaries/Films/TV:</b></p> <p><a href="#">The Great American Buffalo - BBC iPlayer</a> – (2 episodes)</p> <p><a href="#">Wild West Sweeny - BBC iPlayer</a></p> <p><b>Mountains   How the Wild West Was Won with Ray Mears</b> <a href="https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=63427&amp;share_key=e32fdc2-cbae-498b-8a39-5a41e9215d00">https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=63427&amp;share_key=e32fdc2-cbae-498b-8a39-5a41e9215d00</a></p> <p><b>Great Plains   How the Wild West Was Won with Ray Mears</b> <a href="https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=63428&amp;share_key=cc9b9811-6e92-4abe-a624-7fff6ebd9df1">https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=63428&amp;share_key=cc9b9811-6e92-4abe-a624-7fff6ebd9df1</a></p>
<p><b>Other:</b></p> <p>Red Dead Redemption 2 – game (Rating 18 – ask permission)</p> <p>BBC Bitesize: <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/znhkpg8/revision/1">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/znhkpg8/revision/1</a> <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z4bh47h/revision/1">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z4bh47h/revision/1</a></p> <p>Tutor2U: <a href="https://www.tutor2u.net/history/collections/edexcel-gcse-the-american-west-cl835-cl895">https://www.tutor2u.net/history/collections/edexcel-gcse-the-american-west-cl835-cl895</a></p>	<p><b>Billy the Kid   The Wild West</b> <a href="https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=54220&amp;share_key=4a024729-4270-4a2f-9ea4-1d79a6fbc3ba">https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=54220&amp;share_key=4a024729-4270-4a2f-9ea4-1d79a6fbc3ba</a></p> <p><b>Custer’s Last Stand   The Wild West</b> <a href="https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=54219&amp;share_key=1f2d6ab9-894a-4f7d-83b7-8ca6afb43221">https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=54219&amp;share_key=1f2d6ab9-894a-4f7d-83b7-8ca6afb43221</a></p> <p><b>The Gunfight at OK Coral   The Wild West</b> <a href="https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=54221&amp;share_key=9ccb7f5d-a3e9-49fa-9dc2-5b2e86f0ef9f">https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=54221&amp;share_key=9ccb7f5d-a3e9-49fa-9dc2-5b2e86f0ef9f</a></p> <p><b>NETFLIX: (all ratings 12 or 15)</b> Wyatt Earp and the Cowboy War (6 episodes) A Fist Full of Lead (film) The Kid (Film) Young Guns 2 (Film) Godless (7 episodes) The Power of the Dog (Film)</p>

# Early Elizabethan England

## Books:

(Can easily be found to buy cheap online.)

The Time Traveller's Guide to Elizabethan England by Ian Mortimer

Elizabeth I :The Life of England's Tudor Queen - Graphic Non-fiction by Anita Ganeri, Rob Shone, Terry Riley

Various non-fiction texts can be found in the school library also.

## Other:

### BBC Bitesize:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z29rbk7>

### BBC Bitesize Podcasts:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zcmbmbk/articles/zwtndnb#zy3wh4j>

### Tutor2U:

<https://www.tutor2u.net/history/collecti-ons/edexcel-gcse-early-elizabethan-england-1558-1588>

## Documentaries/Film/TV:

[Lucy Worsley Investigates - Series 2: 4. Bloody Mary - BBC iPlayer](#)

### Bloody Queens: Elizabeth and Mary

[https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource\\_id=66192&share\\_key=4a5b2fca-468e-40bf-9498-3219fa2f402e](https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=66192&share_key=4a5b2fca-468e-40bf-9498-3219fa2f402e)

### Time Traveller's Guide to Elizabethan England

[https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource\\_id=63537&share\\_key=06dbd3d8-f381-4f37-ad51-d1ecf31bc335](https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=63537&share_key=06dbd3d8-f381-4f37-ad51-d1ecf31bc335)

### Jane, Mary and Elizabeth | She-Wolves: England's Early Queens

[https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource\\_id=63461&share\\_key=4547744d-4808-4bad-a464-9e8fac5884ce](https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=63461&share_key=4547744d-4808-4bad-a464-9e8fac5884ce)

### Elizabeth I | Queens that Changed the World

[https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource\\_id=57094&share\\_key=a642ea85-f7ce-4fef-815d-0ae5bb846fb2](https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=57094&share_key=a642ea85-f7ce-4fef-815d-0ae5bb846fb2)

### Elizabeth I's Secret Agents

[https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource\\_id=63193&share\\_key=db904db4-ba20-425a-8dde-91267686cdd5](https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=63193&share_key=db904db4-ba20-425a-8dde-91267686cdd5)

### AMAZON PRIME:

The Private Lives of the Tudors (episode 3)

# Weimar and Nazi Germany

## Books:

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The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

Hitler 1936-1945 : Nemesis by Ian Kershaw

## Documentaries/Films/TV:

[Berlin 1933 - BBC iPlayer](#) (3 episodes)

[Rise of the Nazis - BBC iPlayer](#) (Series 1 – 3 episodes)

### The First Six Months in Power | Rise of the Nazis

[https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource\\_id=63446&share\\_key=14b3b956-6fae-4b47-b54f-de0ce5c60b4d](https://era.org.uk/shared-resource/?resource_id=63446&share_key=14b3b956-6fae-4b47-b54f-de0ce5c60b4d)

### AMAZON PRIME:

Rise of Evil (Film in 2 parts)

Life of Adolf Hitler (episode 1)

Evolution of Evil (episode 2)

Action T4

1933: The Fall of the Weimar Republic

Hitler: Empire of Evil (rating 18 – ask permission)

### NETFLIX:

How to become a Tyrant (episode 1)

Hitler Circle of Evil (episodes 1-4)

Hitler and the Nazis: Evil on Trial (first 3 episodes) (rating 18 – ask permission)

### DISNEY PLUS:

Hitler's Teen Killers

Inside the SS

Hitler's Battle Against the Press

## **OTHER:**

BBC Bitesize:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zymqwx>

BBC Bitesize Podcasts:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zcmbmbk/articles/zqqknk7#zy3wh4j>

Tutor2U:

<https://www.tutor2u.net/history/collections/edexcel-gcse-weimar-and-nazi-germany-1918-1939>