



A-level History

A-level History is an exciting and dynamic option. In a supportive environment we aim to stretch our students according to their ability so that they develop the skills they will need after leaving LRGS. Students opting for History normally gain a grade 7 at GCSE, but a grade 6 is acceptable.

Lower Sixth: We avoid revisiting ground covered at GCSE and instead broaden our students' understanding of how the modern age was shaped through the investigation of "Revolutions" and their consequences.

- British History 1625-1701 (30%)
- The Origins and Course of the French Revolution 1774 to 1799 (20%)

Upper Sixth: Alongside the British unit (which continues into Upper Sixth) we move from France to Ireland, exploring the relationship between England and Ireland from the American Revolution of the 1770s to the First World War and the Easter Rising of 1916. Students are also given a free choice for their topic of coursework, looking at how historians contest and argue over the past.

- Anglo-Irish Relations (1774-1923) (30%)
- Coursework: Research a historical controversy of your choice (historiography) (20%)
- Foreign trip to either Ireland or France

What next?

Every year LRGS students go on to thrive studying History at the top universities and we provide tuition to help them in this process. Many study History at A-level for the skills that History promotes and these are highly sought after by employers across a range of occupations; law, journalism, politics and broadcasting. The most commonly held first degree for Chairmen of the Fortune 500 Companies is History.

"Lessons are always lively with our teachers constantly challenging us to debate and improve our ideas. The History department is notably vibrant; there is always a talk, field trip or project to look forward to." Current Sixth Form pupil

"I have found the History Society a really interesting way of exploring my interests, but the highlight for me this term as part of an LRGS Oral History project was interviewing a WW2 veteran, who was amongst the first to enter Belsen concentration camp." Current Sixth Form pupil

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