Academic Year	Content. Unit title and brief outline of content.	Skills taught in each unit.	Assessment – what knowledge and skills will be assessed and how?	
Year; 8				
Rationale	Year 8 builds on the principles and knowledge learnt in Yr. 7 but provides a broader world perspective, using the same 4 themes as a basis: the 'Development of the Rule of Law', 'Development of Democracy', 'Mutual Respect' and 'Individual Liberty', with depth studies on Women. Students study changes in Britain and events of the wider world are introduced – with a specific focus on the Development of Democracy (people having power). The lessons are planned and sequenced chronologically each term.			
Autumn A	Black History What was slavery and why was it abolished? Local study – William Wilberforce Mary Prince Who are the Windrush Generation? Brixton Riots Modern Black Britons	Writing cogently Reading critically Source Analysis Causation Significance Change and Continuity Similarity and Difference	Project – Has mutual respect and individual liberty improved for Black people in Britain? (Challenge – make links to Mary Prince)	
Autumn B	The Stuarts – challenges to the power of the King Gunpowder Plot Who was Charles I? Why were there issues between Charles and Parliament? English Civil War Who was Oliver Cromwell? What was the Glorious Revolution? Nell Gwynn	Writing cogently Reading critically Source Analysis Causation Significance Change and Continuity Similarity and Difference	Essay – Why was there a Civil War? (Rule of Law and democracy)	
Spring A	The British Empire	Writing cogently Reading critically	Cumulative Assessment – Half Year Checkpoint- All skills	



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	What was the British Empire and how should	Source Analysis	
	it be remembered?	Causation	
	India – Jewel in the Crown and Mutiny	Significance	
	End of the Empire and Independence	Interpretations	
		Change and Continuity	
		Similarity and Difference	
Spring B	The 20 th Century World – WWI	Writing cogently	Sources – poetry / individual liberty
	What was the world like in 1900?	Reading critically	 Owen and dulce et decorum est
	Why did World War One break out in 1914?	Source Analysis	
	Life in the Trenches	Causation	
	Interpretations of the Somme	Significance	
	Armistice	Change and Continuity	
	Treaty of Versailles	Similarity and Difference	
	Poetry of WWI		
Summer A	The 20th Century World - Suffrage for	Writing cogently	Essay - Why did Women get the
	Women	Reading critically	vote?
	Why did women win the right to vote in 1918?	Source Analysis	
	What is the differences between the	Causation	
	suffragists and suffragettes?	Significance	
	What methods did they use?	Change and Continuity	
	Were they 'terrorists' or 'martyrs'?	Similarity and Difference	
Summer B	Great women	Writing cogently	Oracy - Has the position of women
		Reading critically	changed over the last 1400 years
		Source Analysis	(consolidation – looking back at
		Causation	females studied in Yr 7 and those
		Significance	across Yr 8 – How had life changed
		Change and Continuity	for women between c.500 - 1918?)
		Interpretations	
		Similarity and Difference	

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