**Year 11 Transitions programme: The Tudors 1485-1558**

The following programme is designed to prepare you for A Level History. Additional reading can be found at the bottom.

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| **Topic** | **Task set** | **Complete** |
| The Tudors: War of the Roses | Watch the following Documentary (British History's Biggest Fibs With Lucy Worsley - Episode 1: War of the Roses) and answer the 18 questions: <https://www.dailymotion.com/video/x81ocsv>   1. What is the story of the Battle of Stubbins in the Wars of the Roses? 2. What were the 2 sides in the Wars of the Roses? 3. What happened in 1461 on the 29th March and why was it exceptional? 4. What happened at the Battle of Bosworth according to the Tudors and Shakespeare? 5. What problems did Henry VII face immediately after Bosworth? 6. How did Henry use the story of the War of the Roses to solve his problems? 7. How did Historians under Henry VII manipulate the Wars of the Roses? 8. How did Henry VIII continue the propaganda started by his father? 9. What problems did Elizabeth I have when she became queen? 10. How did she use the War of the Roses to help her? 11. How and why did Shakespeare write about the Wars of the Roses in the 1590s? 12. How did the Stuarts use the tale of the Princes in the Tower? 13. Where does the name ‘Wars of the Roses’ come from? 14. What is Whig History and what was its view of the Wars of the Roses? 15. How have the Wars of the Roses continued into the 20th century? 16. What is the view of ‘Good King Richard’? 17. What is the link with a car park in Leicester? 18. Do you agree more with the Henry Tudor Society or the Richard II Society? Why?   This link takes you to a documentary series by another historian, Dan Jones, and provides a more detailed account of the Wars of the Roses, if you would like to watch it:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SB_OThWd-eA> |  |
| The Tudors | Try to use a form of **historical fiction** to learn about the Tudor period to gain a broader understanding of the context of the time. There are suggestions below, but also links to websites/documentaries if you prefer.  **Films/Series:** Elizabeth; Wolf Hall; The Tudors  **Books:** See list below for suggestions  **Documentaries/websites:** David Starkey:  [david starkey tudors - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=david+starkey+tudors)  [#StayHome and Learn About Henry VIII with Suzannah Lipscomb | History Hit LIVE on Timeline - Bing video](https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=suzannah+lipscomb+tudors&&view=detail&mid=935BFFFD46FBC8ACD383935BFFFD46FBC8ACD383&&FORM=VRDGAR&ru=%2Fvideos%2Fsearch%3Fq%3Dsuzannah%2Blipscomb%2Btudors%26FORM%3DHDRSC4) |  |

Additional reading

<https://www.philippagregory.com/books> Any from the Plantagenet and Tudor novels

<https://pages.panmacmillan.com/c-j-sansom/> Any from the Shardlake series

<https://hilary-mantel.com/> The Cromwell Trilogy

The above are all fiction writers but base their novels on factual events and figures. They provide an excellent sense of the period.

<http://alisonweir.org.uk/> Alison Weir

<http://www.tracyborman.co.uk/books> Tracy Borman

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/kindle-dbs/entity/author/B003VO6C5Y?_encoding=UTF8&node=266239&offset=0&pageSize=12&searchAlias=stripbooks&sort=author-pages-popularity-rank&page=1&langFilter=default#formatSelectorHeader> Susannah Lipscomb

<https://www.penguin.co.uk/authors/22908/diarmaid-macculloch.html> Diarmaid MacCulloch

<http://www.johnguy.co.uk/> John Guy

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/s?k=david+starkey+tudors&i=stripbooks&crid=3TENZG8332WAV&sprefix=david+starkey+t%2Cstripbooks%2C254&ref=nb_sb_ss_fb_1_15> David Starkey

These are some of the more notable historians on the Tudor period. Our course goes from 1485 – 1558, so focus on books which cover that period.