



# Cotswold Edge Sixth Form



<b>Subject</b>	History@BG	<b>Assessment Point 1 - Coursework</b>
<b>Title of the project:</b>	A Level History Summer Project	
<b>Due date:</b>	First lesson back September 2020	
<b>Learning skills</b> and their place in the specification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research and note taking.</li> <li>• Demonstrate, organise and communicate knowledge and understanding.</li> <li>• Analyse the key features of the period studied.</li> <li>• Make substantiated judgements.</li> </ul>	
<b>Specification link</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. AQA A Level 2R: The Cold War <a href="http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/history/as-and-a-level/history-7041-7042/subject-content/2r-the-cold-war,-c19451991">http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/history/as-and-a-level/history-7041-7042/subject-content/2r-the-cold-war,-c19451991</a></li> <li>2. AQA A Level 1C: The Tudors: England 1485-1603 <a href="http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/history/as-and-a-level/history-7041-7042/subject-content/1c-the-tudors-england,-14851603">http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/history/as-and-a-level/history-7041-7042/subject-content/1c-the-tudors-england,-14851603</a></li> </ol>	
<b>Tasks set</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Research and make detailed notes on the origins of the Cold War to write an essay to answer the question: To what extent would you agree that the origins of the Cold War were due to ideological differences?</li> <li>2. Explain how the Wars of the Roses would affect the rule of the first Tudor King Henry VII.</li> </ol>	
<b>How this links to the exam specification</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Unit 1 of the Cold War course begins with the breakdown of relations between the Allies at the end of WWII. The origins of the Cold War however can be traced back at least to the Bolshevik revolution of 1917 so this study is to gain essential background knowledge about the long term causes.</li> <li>2. Unit 1 of the Tudors course begins with Henry VII's consolidation of power; an understanding of the Wars of the Roses is essential background to this topic.</li> </ol>	
<b>How to complete the task:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To complete the Cold War task: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read and make notes on <i>Unit 1: The seeds of conflict 1917-44</i> from the scanned textbook <i>A World Divided: Superpower Relations 1944-90</i>.</li> <li>• Watch the <i>Comrades</i> episode of the CNN Cold War documentary.</li> <li>• Listen to episodes 1, <i>Ideological roots of the Cold War</i> and 2 <i>Geopolitical roots of the Cold War</i> from the <i>History of the Cold War</i> podcast series.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Using these resources write a 1500 word essay to answer the question <i>To what extent would you agree that the origins of the Cold War were due to ideological differences?</i></li> <li>To complete the Tudors task: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Read the PDF through. Underline in pencil any words you don't understand and look them up. Read through the PDF again. Complete the table on page 16.</li> <li>Use your answers and examples from the table to write a report entitled: "What lessons should a king learn from the Wars of the Roses?" 2 sides of A4.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
<b>Resources or links</b>	<p>You will need to use the PDF documents to complete the tasks.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To complete the Cold War task you will need: <p><b>PDF:</b> Edexcel GCE History, A World Divided: Superpower Relations 1944-90, <i>Phillips, S.</i> (Unit 1 pp.1-14)</p> <p><b>BBC Bitesize:</b> GCSE Cold War revision <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z3h9mnb/revision/1">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z3h9mnb/revision/1</a></p> <p><b>CNN Cold War Documentary:</b> Comrades 1917-45: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=22KIQ1QNhE&amp;list=PL8hNHC9nbLlzb4miGp5pZPYCk9Zw0dGke&amp;index=2&amp;t=6s">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=22KIQ1QNhE&amp;list=PL8hNHC9nbLlzb4miGp5pZPYCk9Zw0dGke&amp;index=2&amp;t=6s</a></p> <p><b>History of the Cold War Podcast:</b> Episode 1 – Ideological Roots of the Cold War: <a href="http://www.historyofthecoldwarpodcast.com/episode-1-ideological-roots-of-the-cold-war/">http://www.historyofthecoldwarpodcast.com/episode-1-ideological-roots-of-the-cold-war/</a></p> <p>Episode 2 – Geopolitical Roots of the Cold War: <a href="http://www.historyofthecoldwarpodcast.com/geopolitical-roots-of-the-cold-war/">http://www.historyofthecoldwarpodcast.com/geopolitical-roots-of-the-cold-war/</a></p> </li> <li>To complete the Tudors task you will need: <p><b>PDF:</b> <i>Wars of the Roses</i> Textbook</p> </li> </ol>
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<b>Number of learning hours it will take to complete</b>	<p>Minimum 10 hours</p>
<b>Additional work for you to be doing in preparation for Level 3 Study</b>	<p>The most successful A-Level Historians are those who have a detailed wider knowledge of world history, the more you know about events in history the better you will understand the links between them. We often use the term 'wider reading' as history teachers but we should probably say 'wider research' because there are so many excellent sources of</p>

information available digitally. Below are a selection of books, films, documentaries, podcasts and links to free online courses, some of which are directly relevant to the A-Level course at Brimsham and other which are just great for broadening your historical knowledge. Many of these books are cheaply available second hand on eBay, Amazon or Abe Books. Many films and documentary series are available on BBC Iplayer, Channel 4 On Demand, Netflix, Prime Video or free on YouTube and Vimeo. Podcasts are another excellent free resource, see the Cold War podcast which is referenced above and other suggestions below.

### **Cold War**

- Ian Kershaw has written two excellent books on 20<sup>th</sup> Century European history, *To Hell and Back* covers the first half and *Rollercoaster* covers the second half. The first gives a detailed insight into the changing fortunes of European countries over the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century which helps to understand the background to the Cold War and the second covers the European aspect of the Cold War in the latter half of the century.
- Historian John Lewis Gaddis is a contemporary Cold War academic whose book *The Cold War* is a detailed and extremely readable account of the period.
- Read or watch Andrew Marr's *Making of Modern Britain* and *History of Modern Britain* to deepen your understanding of 20<sup>th</sup> history. Although these focus specifically on British history they will help you to understanding the decline of Britain as a world power over the course of the century and the rise of the USA as a superpower.
- There's a huge choice of films about the Cold War, several of John Le Carre's novels such as *Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy* have been made into films, also watch *The Lives of Others*, *Bridge of Spies*, *Thirteen Days* and/or *Born on the Fourth of July*.

### **Tudors**

- Ian Mortimer's book *A Time Travellers Guide to Elizabethan England* which has also been made into a three part documentary series by BBC gives a fascinating insight into daily life in the Tudor period. Unlike many academic books it is very readable and as the title suggests, the book transports you to the time and vividly describes what you would experience if you were there.
- You could complete the free online Future Learn course on the Tudors to deepen your understanding of the period:  
<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/the-tudors>
- Historian David Starkey's *Monarchy* series is a comprehensive account of the British monarchy from the Anglo-Saxons to the Windsors, watch them all or focus on episodes 7, 8 and 9 which tell the story of the Wars of the Roses through to the accession of the Stuarts.
- Read or watch Hilary Mantel's award winning historical fiction trilogy *Wolf Hall* and *Bringing up the Bodies* and her most recent work *The Mirror and the Light*, which tells the story of the rise and fall of Thomas Cromwell during the reign of Henry VIII.

### **Civil Rights**

- Although the coursework element is usually covered at the end of Y12 you could prepare by conducting some research into this topic, two excellent documentary series which are available in full on YouTube are *The Rise and Fall of Jim Crow* which covers the period from the American Civil War to the 1950s and *Eyes on the Prize* which covers the better-known Civil Rights era of the 1950s and 60s.

### **Podcasts**

- BBC In Our Time: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p01dh5yg>
- History Extra: <https://www.historyextra.com/article-type/podcast/>
- Dan Snow's History Hit: <https://www.historyhit.com/podcasts/>
- Histories of the Unexpected: <https://historiesoftheunexpected.com/podcasts/>