KS4: Student-friendly overview

Exam Board/	OCR A Examining the Modern World	
Syllabus		
Term	Year 10 Topics	Year 11 Topics
Autumn 1	Migration to Britain, 1000-1700	The USA, 1918-1948
Autumn 2	Impact of Empire on Britain, 1688-1730	The Cold War, 1945-1955
Spring 1	Migration to Britain, 1700-1900	The Cold War, 1955-1975
Spring 2	Migration to Britain, 1900-2000	Revision
Summer 1	Spitalfields, 1100s-present day	Revision
Summer 2	International Relations, 1919-1939	Revision

Intent		Wh	nat new knowledge/content do we introduce?		
By the end of KS4 students are able to		Year 10	Year 11	Choices	How does this curriculum incorporate the National Curriculum and go beyond? How does going beyond the NC ensure challenge?
	Autumn	Migration to Britain, 1000-1700	America, 1919-1939	The Migration and Impact of Empire courses were chosen because we wanted pupils to encounter	We go beyond the specification by:
 Narrate the history of migration to Britain, 		Impact of Empire, 1688-1730	America, 1939-1948 Cold War, beginnings	different kinds of history - not just political history but	- Teaching migrants
1000-2000, identifying		Migration to Britain, 1700-1900	Cold War, 1950s-1991	also the histories of ordinary men and women from around the world. We thought it was important that	groups that aren't included (such as
similarities and	Spring	Migration to Britain, 1900-2000	Revision	pupils understood the diversity within modern British	the Hansa
differences between		Spitalfields case study	Revision	society and that they encountered histories of groups that were often marginalised.	Merchants) that we feel strengthen
different migrant	Summer	International Relations, 1919-1939			pupils' period and
groups.		We begin the course with the thematic study (Migration to	The end of Year 10 and the rest of Year 11 is therefore a		topic knowledge. - Using individuals'
 Explain the impact of empire on Britain in the 		Britain) as it provides pupils with an overview of the last	study of the 20 th century, taught broadly in chronological		stories from
17 th and 18 th centuries,		1000 years, drawing on their knowledge from KS3. We teach this chronologically (to help with the formation of a	order to aid pupils understanding and memory. Teaching the American case study before the Cold War helps to		historical scholarship
in particular social,		narrative – stories are "psychologically privileged").	introduce the ideologies of capitalism and communism that		to provide
economic and political		However, we do nest the Impact of Empire depth study	will be essential to understanding the Cold War.		memorable details that go beyond the
impacts.		within the Migration thematic study because it draws on			core knowledge in
Explain why attempts at		knowledge of migration in the 1600s (e.g. Lascars and Ayahs), deepens this knowledge, and then provides context			the textbook (to build
preserving international		for the later part of the migration course (e.g. knowledge of			a rich hinterland).
peace failed in the		empire helping with commonwealth migration). This also			 Taking pupils to Spitalfields so that
1930s.		keeps the course chronologically structured. Our			they can see the
Describe changing		Spitalfields case study comes at the end of the Migration course because it is essentially an in depth example of			physical impact of
interpretations of	Rationale for this	migration from the last 1000 years so pupils can use their			migration.
appeasement in the 20 th	sequence	overview knowledge to make sense of this.			- Using historical
century.	-				scholarship in the classroom (e.g.
Outline and compare					Robert Winder in
key groups' experiences					Migration lessons,
in America in the 1920s,					Gaddis in lessons on
1930s and 1940s.					the Cold War, Peter Irons in lessons on
 Explain why the Cold 					the USA).
• Explain why the Cold War started and					
compare different					
interpretations.					
Explain the causes,					
events and					
	How does the KS4 Curriculum	 The migration depth study requires overview known aim to develop at KS3. 	owledge of Britain from 1000-2000 which pupils study at KS3. It a	also requires secure chronological frameworks, which we	

consequences of key	build on	- The majority of written tasks at KS4 draw on the conceptual reasoning and writing techniques developed in KS3 (e.g. causation, change and continuity, similarity and
Cold War Crises.	previous	difference).
Make inferences from	learning at KS3?	- Students study historiography in Year 11, which builds on pupils' encounters with contrasting historical interpretations in Year 8.
historical sources.	N35 !	- Students continue to work on making inferences from sources, a "skill" that is developed throughout KS3.
Use sources to debate a		
statement.		
Construct written		
arguments.		