



SMSC curriculum links

History

Chronological Understanding

Spiritual:

Reflect on the passage of time and the human experience through different ages.

Explore how beliefs, values, and achievements have shaped societies over time.

Moral:

Discuss the consequences of past decisions and actions, such as wars or reforms.

Explore how moral values have evolved throughout history (e.g. changing attitudes toward slavery).

Social:

Examine the development of communities and societies over time.

Discuss how shared histories create a sense of belonging and identity.

Cultural:

Compare how different civilizations recorded time and their histories (e.g. Mayan calendars, Egyptian hieroglyphics).

Study how historical events have influenced cultural traditions and practices.

Knowledge of Significant Events in British History

Spiritual:

Reflect on key moments in British history that shaped the nation's identity.

Explore the motivations and beliefs behind significant events like the Magna Carta or the abolition of slavery.



Moral:

Discuss the moral dilemmas faced by historical figures.
Consider the ethical implications of transformative events.

Social:

Study how events like the World Wars brought people together in solidarity.
Explore how historical changes impacted social structures.

Cultural:

Celebrate the diversity of contributions from different groups to British history.
Examine how British history is remembered and commemorated in art, literature and public celebrations.

Knowledge of the Wider World

Spiritual:

Reflect on how different civilizations have contributed to human progress and understanding.
Explore shared human values and experiences across cultures and time.

Moral:

Discuss the impact of empire-building, exploration, and trade on different populations.
Consider the ethics of events like the transatlantic slave trade or the treatment of Indigenous peoples.

Social:

Study the interactions between different cultures and civilizations through trade, war, and diplomacy.
Explore how global events, such as the Age of Exploration, have shaped modern societies.



Cultural:

Celebrate the achievements of non-European civilizations.
Compare the cultural legacies of different societies, such as art, architecture, and philosophy.

Understanding Historical Concepts (e.g. Cause and Consequence, Continuity and Change)

Spiritual:

Reflect on how the actions of individuals and groups have shaped the world.
Explore themes of resilience and hope in overcoming challenges throughout history.

Moral:

Discuss the causes and consequences of conflicts and revolutions.
Consider the lessons we can learn from history to guide ethical decision-making today.

Social:

Examine how communities have adapted to change over time.
Discuss how collective actions have led to significant societal shifts (e.g., industrial strikes, civil rights protests).

Cultural:

Study how cultural traditions have endured or transformed over time.
Explore how historical narratives are interpreted differently across cultures.

Historical Enquiry and Interpretation

Spiritual:

Encourage curiosity and wonder about the past by exploring mysteries or unanswered questions in history.
Reflect on the stories and lives of ordinary people in history, fostering empathy and connection.

**Moral:**

Discuss the importance of fairness and truth in interpreting historical evidence. Explore bias in historical accounts and its implications for understanding the past.

Social:

Encourage collaboration and discussion during historical investigations. Examine how historians and archaeologists contribute to our collective understanding of history.

Cultural:

Study how different cultures preserve and pass down their histories. Explore how cultural perspectives influence historical interpretations and storytelling.