

KS3 History Reading List

Top Reads

John Boyne, 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas

H M Castor, 'VIII'

Berlie Doherty, 'Children of Winter'

Celia Rees, 'Witch Child'

Easy Reads

Maus 1 and 2, by Art Spiegelman – (recommended by Mr Fakouri) – The story of a holocaust survivor as told within the context of his troubled relation with his son, oh and the Nazis are cats and the Jews are mice, one of the greatest graphic novels ever created.

Terry Deary, 'Horrible Histories' series

Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind - Yuval Noah Harar

I am Alfonso Jones by Alfonso Jones

Challenging Reads

Libby Bray, 'A Great and Terrible Beauty'

Sally Nicholls, 'All Fall Down

John F Hanley, 'Against the Tide

A Little History of the World - EH Gombrich

KS4 History Reading List

Top Reads

Malorie Blackman , ' Noughts and Crosses' series

Deborah Wiles, 'Revolution

Patrick Suskind – Perfume

Alison Weir, 'The Lady Elizabeth

A Little History of the World - EH Gombrich

An Utterly Impartial History of Britain, Or, 2000 Years of Upper-class Idiots in Charge, by John O'Farrell – (recommended by Mr Fakouri) – a light-hearted look at British History

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Ellen Emerson White, The 'Echo Company' series

Enrichment reads

Jennifer A Nielsen, 'A Night Divided

C J Sansome, The 'Shardlake' Series

Gabriel Garcia Marquez – A Hundred Years of Solitude or Life in the Time of Cholera

Challenging Reads

Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee, by Dee Brown

The History of Medicine: A Very Short Introduction, by W. F. Bynum

Nazi Germany: A Very Short Introduction , by Jane Caplan

The American West: A Very Short Introduction, by Stephen Aron

The Norman Conquest: A Very Short Introduction, by George Garnett

KS5 History Reading List

Top Reads

Keith Thomas, *Religion and the Decline of Magic* (Penguin, new edition, 2003)

F Scott Fitzgerald, 'The Great Gatsby

John Steinbeck – The Grapes of Wrath

Jack Kerouac – On the Road

Arthur Miller – The Crucible

Andrew Marr, *The Making of Modern Britain*

Easy Reads

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Lawrence Principe, *The Scientific revolution: a Very Short Introduction* (Oxford University Press, 2011)

Witchcraft: A Ladybird Expert Book, by Suzannah Lipscom

Witchcraft: A Very Short Introduction, by Malcolm Gaskil

Twentieth-Century Britain: A Very Short Introduction, by Kenneth Morgan

American History: A Very Short Introduction, by Paul Boyer

Enrichment reads

The Age of Revolution, The Age of Capital, The Age of Empire, The Age of Extremes – by Eric Hobsbawm (recommended by Mr Fakouri) – 4 tomes by the celebrated British Marxist historian that are clearly influenced by his socio-political views that nonetheless insightfully plot the rise of industrial capitalism, socialism and nationalism

EH Carr, What is History?

War Games: The Story of Aid and War in Modern Times, by Linda Polman

Why I'm No Longer Talking to White People About Race, by Reni Eddo-Lodge (recommended by Mr Fakouri) – a book that could be studied in social science as well, a sobering perspective on racism in the UK over time, when our focus on civil rights tends to be too American-centric.

Fatal Purity: Robespierre and the French Revolution Paperback – 5 April 2007, by Ruth Scurr (recommended by Mr Fakouri) – How a shy young lawyer turned into the living embodiment of the Terror at its most violent

Challenging Reads

Eric J, Evans, *Thatcher and Thatcherism (The Making of the Contemporary World)*

Susan Currell, *American Culture in the 1920s (Twentieth-century American Culture)*

William E Leuchtenburg, *Franklin D. Roosevelt and the New Deal: 1932–1940*

Dominic Sandbrook, *Never Had It So Good: A History of Britain from Suez to the Beatles*

H R Trevor-Roper, *The European Witch-Craze of the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries*