

AQA A level History: 8145

A level History: Subject Content

A-level students must take assessments in all three of the following components in the same series:

- **Component 1: Breadth study - 1A The Age of the Crusades, c1071–1204**
- **Component 2: Depth study - 2S The Making of Modern Britain, 1951–2007**
- **Component 3: Historical investigation (Personal study)**

Students must:

- study the history of more than one country
- study a British history option for Component 1 or 2
- study a non-British history option for Component 1 or 2
- study topics from a chronological range of at least 200 years

A level History: How it's assessed

What's assessed?

Component 1: Breadth study

The study of significant historical developments over a period of around 100 years and associated interpretations.

How it's assessed

- Written exam: 2 hours 30 minutes
- Three questions (one compulsory)
- 80 marks
- 40% of A-level

Questions

- Two sections
- Section A – one compulsory question linked to historical interpretations (30 marks)
- Section B – two from three essays (2 x 25 marks)

What's assessed?

Component 2: Depth study

The study in depth of a period of major historical change or development and associated primary evidence.

How it's assessed

- Written exam: 2 hours 30 minutes
- Three questions (one compulsory)
- 80 marks
- 40% of A-level

Questions

- Two sections
- Section A – one compulsory question linked to primary sources or sources contemporary to the period (30 marks)
- Section B – two from three essays (2 x 25 marks)

What's assessed?**Component 3: Historical investigation****How it's assessed**

A personal study based on a topic of student's choice. This should take the form of a question in the context of approximately 100 years. It must not duplicate the content of options chosen for Components 1 and 2.