

What do I need to know for my British Politics A Level History exam?

Section A: Enquiry topic- Churchill 1930-1951		
Key topic:	Content that you should know:	How confident to I feel?
Churchill's view of events 1929-1939	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why Churchill was out of office 1929-1939 • His attitude to the abdication crisis • His views about the Empire and India and clashes with his party over this • Attitude towards Germany after 1933 • His views about rearmament and appeasement • Why Churchill became Prime Minister in 1940 	<p>Overall I feel: </p> <p>How confident do you feel about each topic: ✓ = confident <u>Highlight</u>- not confident</p>
Churchill as a wartime Prime Minister	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why Churchill became Prime Minister • His stance in 1940 and his style of leadership • Relations with his generals and how this impacted on strategic decisions in the war in the Mediterranean. • Bombing of Germany and war in Europe 1944-45 • Plans for reconstruction and the loss of the 1945 election. 	<p>Overall I feel: </p> <p>How confident do you feel about each topic: ✓ = confident <u>Highlight</u>- not confident</p>
Churchill and international diplomacy 1939-1951	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Churchill's view on Britain's world and imperial role • Relations with other wartime leaders (Roosevelt, Stalin and deGaulle) • Contribution to international conferences • Plans for post-war Europe • Iron Curtain speech • Attitude towards Empire and Europe after 1945 	<p>Overall I feel: </p> <p>How confident do you feel about each topic: ✓ = confident <u>Highlight</u>- not confident</p>
Section B: British Period Study- Britain 1951-1997		
Key topic:	Content that you should know:	How confident to I feel?
Conservative domination 1951-1964	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reasons for Conservative victory in 1951 • Social changes- immigration, unrest, social mobility and tensions, education, living standards, housing, prosperity and unemployment. • Conservative economic policies • Butskellism • Industrial growth and stagflation • Conservative leadership of Churchill, Eden, Macmillian and Homes • Scandals- Vassall affair • Philby, Argyll and Profumo • Reasons for Conservative decline • Labour leadership • Divisions and electoral failures of the Labour party 	<p>Overall I feel: </p> <p>How confident do you feel about each topic: ✓ = confident <u>Highlight</u>- not confident</p>
Labour and Conservative governments 1964-1979	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Labour victory of 1964 and Wilson as a leader 1964-1970 • Economic problems and policies- relations with the Trade Unions • Labour and party divisions • 1970 election • Heath as party leader and Prime Minister- including aims and policies of his government • Industrial relations- the miners strike • Wilson and Callaghan 1974-1979 • Problems and policies 1974-1979 	<p>Overall I feel: </p> <p>How confident do you feel about each topic: ✓ = confident <u>Highlight</u>- not confident</p>

<p>Thatcher and the end of consensus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Election victories- Thatcher and her ministers • Social and economic policies- including monetarism, free- market, supply side economics and privatisation. • Social policies and unrest, unemployment and the Trade Unions • The Miners' Strike • The fall of Thatcher and replacement with Major • Conservative divisions under Major and electoral defeat in 1997. 	<p>Overall I feel: </p> <p>How confident do you feel about each topic: ✓ = confident <u>Highlight</u>- not confident</p>
<p>Britain's position in the world 1951-1997</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relations with and policies towards the USA and the USSR • Britain's influence at the UN • Britain's role in Europe • Britain's nuclear policy • Response to crises: Korean war, Suez, the Falklands War, First Gulf War • Decolonisation and changing attitudes towards the Commonwealth. 	<p>Overall I feel: </p> <p>How confident do you feel about each topic: ✓ = confident <u>Highlight</u>- not confident</p>

Section A= Enquiry based questions

AS Level Questions	Term One	Term Two	Term Three	<p style="text-align: center;">➔</p> <p style="text-align: center;">This will lead onto you being able to answer A level type questions.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">➔</p>	A Level Question
<p>Use your knowledge of X to assess how useful Source Y is as evidence of Z. (10 marks) E.g.: - Use your knowledge of the problems Britain faced in the 1930s to assess how useful Source A is as evidence about how realistic Churchill's view of appeasement was.</p>					<p>Using these four sources in their historical context, assess how far they support the view that X was due mainly to Y. (30 marks)</p> <p>For example: <i>Using these four sources in their historical context, assess how far they support the view that Churchill offered unrealistic criticisms of foreign and defence policies in the 1930s.</i></p>
<p>Using three sources in their historical context, assess how far they support the view that X was mainly due to Y. (20 marks) E.g.: Using these three sources in their historical context, assess how far they support the view that Churchill was out of office in the 1930s mainly because of his views about India.</p>					

Section B: Essay question on the period study (20 marks)

Command term	Description	Confidence?
Assess	Weigh up the relative importance of a range of factors and reach a supported judgement as to which is the most important.	
To what extent	Consider the relative importance of the named issue by comparing it with the other issues and reach a balanced judgement as to its relative importance.	
How far	Consider the relative importance of the named issue and weigh up its role by comparing it with other issues to reach a balanced judgement as to its relative importance.	
How successful	Consider a range of issues and make a judgement as to how successful each was before reaching an overall judgement about success.	

