

AQA A level History – Transition Work from Year 11 to Year 12

Paper 1D – Stuart England 1603–1702

Paper 2N – Revolution & Dictatorship; Russia 1917-1953

Coursework – Martin Luther King & the Civil Rights Movement 1865-1965

Please complete the following tasks which will help you to build on what you have learnt during your GCSE History course. There are many interesting topics here that we hope you will enjoy. Whilst you are on your summer break you should also be accessing news sites, Twitter and podcasts in order to enrich your historical knowledge. Completion of these tasks will place you in great stead for embarking on your A level studies in September.

Task	Activity	Description	How long should I spend on this activity?
1	Introduction to the course	Tasks: 1. Read the AQA History A level specification section 1D & 2N 2. Pick out the following: a. Key people b. Key dates c. Key events d. Key themes Write a list of key questions you have about the structure and topics of the course to email the Hammersmith Academy History department.	1 hour
2	Biography of James 1 & Charles 1	Using the resources below and your own research write a biography of each of these monarchs. This should consist of approximately 750-1000 words. Please focus on their upbringing, beliefs and key events and actions when in power.	2 hours
3	Timeline of Communist Russia	Using the resources below and your own research produce a time line of events from 1917 to 1953 – this should be in an A3 poster format	1 hour



Resources/web links to use

AQA Specification

https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/history/specifications/AQA-7041-7042-SP-2015.PDF

Stuart England

James I

https://www.britannica.com/biography/James-l-king-of-England-and-Scotland

http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/historic_figures/james_i_vi.shtml

http://madmonarchs.guusbeltman.nl/madmonarchs/james1n6/james1n6_bio.htm

https://www.historyextra.com/people/james-vi-and-i/

https://www.greatsite.com/timeline-english-bible-history/king-james.html

Charles I

https://www.britannica.com/biography/Charles-I-king-of-Great-Britain-and-Ireland

http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/historic_figures/charles_i_king.shtml

https://www.undiscoveredscotland.co.uk/usbiography/monarchs/charlesi.html

http://bcw-project.org/biography/charles-the-first

Communist Russia

Websites and articles:

Overview: https://www.history.com/topics/russia/russian-revolution

http://www.orlandofiges.info/index.php

Contemporary news reports: https://www.bl.uk/russian-

revolution/articles/reporting-the-russian-revolution

Stalin:

https://www.theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2014/11/understanding-stalin/380786/

Lenin, a literary view:

https://www.theguardian.com/books/2017/mar/25/lenin-love-literature-russian-revolution-soviet-union-goethe

Trotsky and Stalin: https://www.nationalww2museum.org/war/articles/trotskys-struggle-against-stalin