**A Parent’s Guide to supporting GCSE History students**



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| **How can I help?** |  |
| Talk to your child about their **History lessons**. |  |
| Ask to see their **exercise book**- check content, feedback, green pen, organisation and presentation. |  |
| Check **Show My Homework** regularly and ask if homework has been completed. |  |
| Ask how they have performed in any recent **assessments**. |  |
| Buy the **revision guide**. |  |
| Provide a **quiet place** for work. |  |
| Limit the use of technology/games. |  |
| Test your child’s **subject knowledge**. |  |
| Look at **EDEXCEL** exam board website. |  |
| Encourage your child to use **BBC Bitesize**. |  |
| Take them on a History trip, the Cold War exhibit at RAF Cosford is excellent. |  |
| Watch History documentaries together, such as BBC Rise of Nazis. |  |
| Watch History films together, for example Dunkirk. |  |
| Talk to your child about **politics** and use political terminology, do they understand the difference between left wing and right wing? |  |
| Talk to your chid about events that you remember such as the fall of the Berlin Wall/ Chernobyl/death of Princess Diana. |  |
| Talk to your chid about turning point events such as 9/11 and discuss their significance. |  |
| Discuss **“fake news”**, how do we know who is telling the truth, what is propaganda, watch Ian Hislop’s Fake News A True History? |  |

qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/history-2016.html

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