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Subject/Course:	History GCSE
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Topic	Key knowledge/skills/questions	R	A	G	Revised	Resources/activities/links
Paper 1: Conflict and Tension, 1918-1939 Topic 1 – Peacemaking –	Aims of the Big Three at the Treaty of Versailles – Do you know what each of the Big Three wanted to achieve at the Treaty of Versailles? - Georges Clemenceau - Woodrow Wilson - David Lloyd George					Aims of the Big 3: Make a mind map of the aims of the USA, Britain and France for the TOV. Highlight where their aims agree/disagree Create flashcards on the terms of the Treaty of Versailles. Include military, land, war guilt clause and reparations
	Agreements and Disagreements – Do you know what each of the Big Three agreed and disagreed about at Versailles? - Clemenceau vs Lloyd George - Clemenceau vs Wilson - Lloyd George vs Wilson					Exam question: - Write an account of how the Versailles peace settlement was affected by the fact that the war was mainly fought in France. - Write an account of how the aims of the peacemakers led to disagreements. - Write an account of how the Treaty of Versailles caused problems for Germany.
	Terms of the Treaty of Versailles – Do you know what the treaty of Versailles said? - Reparations - Land - Military Restrictions - League of Nations - War Guilt - Other terms (Anschluss etc.)					Territorial losses were the worst punishment faced by Germany in the Treaty of Versailles.’ How far do you agree with this statement?
	How satisfied were the Big Three with the Treaty? Do you know what did each of the leaders like and dislike?					‘The main reason why Germany hated the Treaty of Versailles was because of the military terms’. How far do you agree with this statement?

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	• Clemenceau • Wilson • Lloyd George					• ‘Clemenceau was the least satisfied of the ‘big Three’ by the Treaty of Versailles.’ How far do you agree with this statement?
	Impact of the Treaty on Germany – Do you know what the impact of the treaty was on Germany? How did people feel? • Stab in the Back • Hyperinflation • The German Revolution • Political uprisings • The Dawes Plan					
	Reactions to the Treaty of Versailles – Do you know what people at the time and historians thought about the treaty? • Contemporary opinions • Historians opinions					
	Other Treaties – Do you know the terms of the other treaties and what impact they had? • The Treaty of St Germain • The Treaty of Neuilly • The Treaty of Trianon • The Treaty of Sèvres • The Treaty of Lausanne					
	How fair was the Treaty of Versailles and other treaties? – Do you know who was effected by the treaty and what was fair or not fair about it? • Opinions about Versailles • Opinions about the other treaties					
	Why was the League of Nations created?					

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Topic 2 – The League of Nations and international peace	The structure of the League					Create a mind map for the structure of the League of Nations. Include: why it was created, where it was based, which countries joined and their aims, the role of the assembly, council, secretariat, special commissions. Highlight the strengths and weaknesses. Exam Questions • Write an account of how Mussolini's invasion of Abyssinia led to Italy leaving the League of Nations. • Write an account of how Hitler broke the terms of the Treaty of Versailles between 1933 and 1935. • Write an account of how events in Manchuria became an international crisis in the years 1931 to 1933. • The organisation and structure of the League meant that it was always going to fail.' How far do you agree with this statement? • 'The League of Nations failed more often than it succeeded in the 1920s.' How far do you agree with this statement? • 'Structural weaknesses in The League of Nations when it was first set up were the main reasons it was doomed to fail.' How far do you agree with this statement
	Did the League of Nations help people?					
	How successful was the League in the 1920s?					
	How did international agreements help the League of Nations?					
	Why did international cooperation decline in the 1930s?					
	Why did Japan invade Manchuria?					
	How did the League respond to the Manchurian Crisis?					
	Why did Italy invade Abyssinia?					
	How did the League respond to the Abyssinian crisis?					
	Was the League of Nations destined to fail?					
	What were Hitler's aims?					

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Topic 3 – The origins and outbreak of the Second World War	How did other countries respond to Hitler's foreign policies?					Create a mind map of the causes of WW2. Include: appeasement, Hitler's actions and aims, fear of communism, the Great Depression, the rise of extremist dictators. Create a mind map of reasons why Britain and France followed a policy of appeasement. Include; fear of war, fear of communism, belief that Hitler was reasonable, Great Depression and the belief that the Treaty of Versailles was too harsh. Exam Questions: - Write an account of how problems relating to the Sudetenland led to an international crisis in 1938. - Write an account of how the Nazis achieved Anschluss. - Write an account of how Britain went about appeasing Hitler in the 1930s - The main reason other countries failed to react to Hitler's foreign policy was their fear of war.' How far do you agree with this statement? 'The policy of appeasement was a mistake that led to the outbreak of the Second World War.' How far do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer.
	How did Hitler begin to achieve his aims, 1933-36?					
	- the Dollfus Affair - the Saar - German rearmament, including conscription - The Stresa Front Anglo-German Naval Agreement. - remilitarisation of the Rhineland					
	Which countries supported Hitler?					
	- Stresa Front - Rome-Berlin Axis - Pact of Steel - Anti-Comintern Pact - Spanish Civil War					
	Anschluss					
	- Why did Hitler want to unite with Austria? - How did people react to Anschluss?					
	Czechoslovakia and the Sudetenland					
	- Why did Hitler want the Sudetenland? - What was the Sudeten Crisis? - What was the Munich Conference?					
	Appeasement					
	Why did Britain and France follow a policy of appeasement?					

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	Was appeasement a good idea? – Arguments for and against appeasement					‘The Nazi-Soviet Pact was the main reason for the outbreak of the Second World War in 1939.’ How far do you agree with this statement?
	Why did Hitler and Stalin sign the Nazi-Soviet Pact? - Reasons for the Nazi-Soviet Pact - What the Nazi-Soviet Pact said Importance of the Nazi-Soviet Pact					
	Why did Hitler’s invasion of Poland trigger World War Two?					
	Why did World War Two break out in 1939?					
Paper 2:						
Topic 1: <u>Elizabeth’s court and Parliament.</u> <u>Q: How did Elizabeth rule England?</u>	<u>Was Elizabeth ready to be Queen?</u> - Elizabeth’s early life. - What sort of person was she? - Elizabeth’s family: Henry VIII, Anne Boleyn, Mary, Edward. - Religious issues: Catholicism vs Protestantism. - How did Elizabeth come to be Queen of England?					<u>Explain...(8 marks)</u> - Explain what was important about Elizabeth’s experiences before she became Queen - Explain what was important about the Privy Council - Explain what was important about Elizabeth’s decision regarding her marriage. - Explain what was important about the rebellion of the Earl of Essex for Elizabethan England. - Explain what was important about new ideas and fashions in Elizabethan England. - Explain what was important about the gentry in Elizabethan times - Explain what was important about population growth in the Elizabethan period.
	<u>How did Elizabeth control her court?</u> - Particularly. - Key ministers. - Court life. - Royal court. - Progresses. - Patronage.					

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	<u>How did Elizabeth control the Privy Council?</u> • Divide and rule. • Sir William Cecil. • Sir Francis Walsingham. • Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester. • Sir Christopher Hatton					• Explain what was important about the Papal Bull of 1570. • Explain what was important about Mary, Queen of Scots' presence in England between 1568 and 1587. • Explain what was important about the execution of Mary, Queen of Scots for Elizabethan England. • Explain what was important about the navy for Elizabethan England. • Explain what was important about trade and exploration in Asia for Elizabethan England • Explain what was important about voyages and discovery in the reign of Elizabeth I
	<u>How far did Elizabeth control Parliament?</u> • Who and what was Parliament • Relations with Parliament					
	<u>Why was it so important for Elizabeth to marry?</u> • The problem of marriage and the succession • Who she should marry? • Who should be heir? • Why it was important?					
	<u>Possible heirs:</u> • Mary Queen of Scots, Catherine Grey, Mary Grey, James VI <u>Elizabeth's suitors:</u> King Philip of Spain, Prince Eric of Sweden, Charles of Austria, Robert Dudley, the Duke of Alencon					
	<u>Did Elizabeth lose control later in her reign?</u> • The strength of Elizabeth's authority at the end of her reign. • Essex's rebellion in 1601.					<u>Write an account (8 marks)</u> • Write an account of Elizabeth's handling of the 'marriage question' • Write an account of the ways in which the Earl of Essex affected Elizabethan England. • Write an account of the problems Elizabeth faced in the first 10 years of her reign. • Write an account of the ways in which the Northern Rebellion affected Elizabethan England. • Write an account of the ways in which Elizabeth used propaganda to strengthen her rule.

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