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Year 7 Module 1
What is History?

Books

- The History Book by DK (Breaks down history into engaging and accessible content for young readers.)
- A Little History of the World: E.H. Gombrich
- When on Earth? History As You've Never Seen It Before! by DK
- Horrible Histories: Terry Deary
- History Year by Year: The History of the World, from the Stone Age to the Digital Age by DK

Podcasts

- **"The Past and The Curious"** This podcast offers a collection of humorous and fascinating history stories. It's designed to entertain kids and families while teaching them about lesser-known historical events and figures.
- **"Kid Friendly History Fun Facts Podcast"** This podcast provides short episodes packed with fun and interesting historical facts. It's a great way for kids to learn snippets of history in a quick and engaging format.

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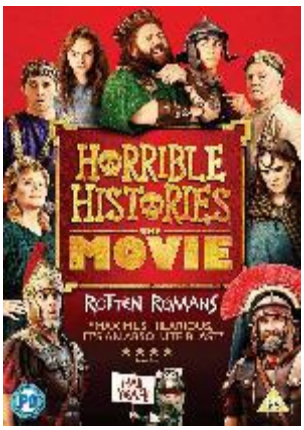
Year 7 Module 2
The Roman Empire

Fiction Books

- The Eagle of the Ninth: Rosemary Sutcliffe
- The Silver Branch: Rosemary Sutcliffe
- The Lantern Bearers: Rosemary Sutcliffe
- The Roman Quests: Caroline Lawrence
- Escape from Rome (Book 1)
- The Arches of Isca (Book 2)
- Death in the Arena (Book 3)
- Return to Rome (Book 4)

Films

- The Eagle: 2011
- Horrible Histories The Movie; Rotten Romans: 2019
- Pompeii: 2014
- The Last Legion: 2007
- Boudica: 2003



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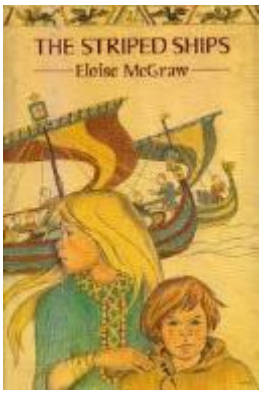
Year 7 Module 3,
The events of 1066

Fiction Books

- Anglo Saxon Boy: Tony Bradman
- Wolf the Saxon: G A Henty
- All Fall Down: Sally Nichols
- The Striped Ships: Eloise Jarvis McGraw
- A Boy and his Sword: T.S Fields
- Shield Wall: Richard Denning
- I was there…1066: Jim Eldridge



Film and TV

- 1066-A Year to Conquer England: 2017
- 1066 – The Battle for Middle Earth: 2009
- The Normans: 2010
- 1066:2015

Podcasts

- Rex Factor – Episode: William the Conqueror
- Stuff You Missed in History Class – Episode: The Battle of Hastings

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Year 7 Module 4, The Middle Ages

Fiction Books

- The Door In The Wall: Marguerite de Angeli
- The Edge Of The Sword: Rebecca Tingle
- Catherine, Called Birdy: Karen Cushman
- The Midwife's Apprentice: Karen Cushman
- Matilda Bone: Karen Cushman

Film and TV

- A Knight's Tale: 2001
- Robin Hood-Prince of Thieves: 1991
- Robin Hood: 2010
- First Knight: 1995

Podcasts

- The Medieval Podcast – Episode: Medieval Daily Life
- The British Museum Podcast – Episode: Medieval England and the Magna Carta
- The Past and the Curious – Episode: Medieval Tales

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Year 7 Module 5,
Power In The Middle Ages

Fiction Books
- The Magna Carta Chronicles: Christopher Lloyd
- The Book of Boy: Catherine Gilbert Murdoch
- The Magna Carta Story: Alfred H Knight

Film and TV
- Robin Hood-Prince of Thieves: 1991
- Robin Hood: 2010
- Ironclad: 2011
- King John, Treachery and Betrayal: 2015

Podcasts
- Dan Snow's History Kit (frequently covers medieval history)
- The British History Podcast
- History Extra: The Official Podcast of BBC History Magazine

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Year 8 Module 1, Tudor England

Fiction Books

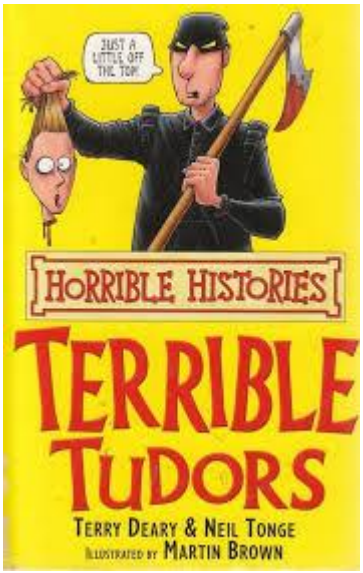
- The Other Countess: Eve Edwards
- Treason: Berlie Doherty
- My Tudor Queen: Alison Prince
- Armada – A Novel: Ernest Cline
- Horrible Histories – Terrible Tudors: Terry Deary

Film and TV

- Horrible Histories have several segments about Tudor England
- Doctor Who: The Gunpowder Plot

Podcasts

- Tudor, I hardly know her
- Tudor Times Podcast
- Tudor History and Travel Show



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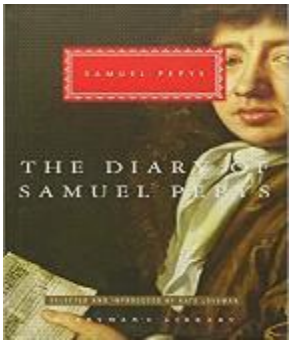

Year 8 Module 2 and 3
Stuart England

Fiction Books

- The Stuarts: William Webb
- The Diary of Samuel Pepys
- The Great Plague- A London Girl's Diary 1665-66: Pamela Oldfield
- Witch Finder Book 1: Ruth Warburton
- Witch Finder Which Hunt Book 2: Ruth Warburton
- Horrible Histories: Slimy Stuarts

Films

- To Kill a King: 2003
- Cromwell: 1970
- The Great Fire: ITV 2014
- Gunpowder, Treason and Plot: BBC 2004

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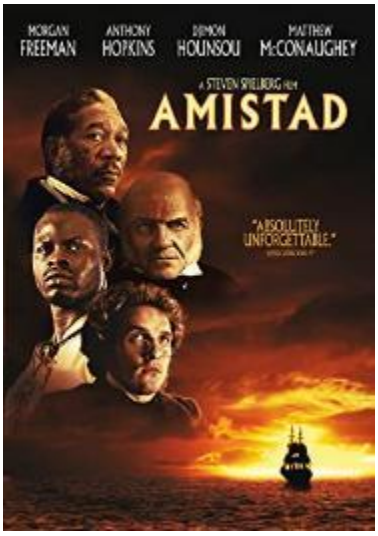
Year 8 Module 4 and 5
Industrial Britain, Empire and Slavery

Fiction Books
- Children of the Mill: David Hanson
- The Workhouse Girl: Dilly Court
- Oliver Twist: Charles Dickens
- The Underground Railroad: Colson Whitehead
- Roots: Alex Haley
- Nightjohn: Gary Paulsen

Films
- Oliver Twist: 2005
- The Young Victoria: 2009
- Mrs Brown: 1997
- A Christmas Carol: 2009
- 12 Years A Slave: 2013
- Amistad: 1997
- Harriet: 2019
- Freedom: 2014



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Year 8 Module 6
Civil Rights

Fiction Books
- One Crazy Summer: Rita Williams-Garcia
- Bud, Not Buddy: Christopher Paul Curtis
- The Lions of Little Rock: Kristen Levine
- The Watson's Go To Birmingham: Christopher Paul Curtis

Films
- Ruby Bridges: 1998
- Hidden Figures: 2016
- Glory Road: 2006
- The Help: 2011

Podcasts
- Good Night Stories For Rebel Girls – covers inspiring stories from Civil Rights activists such as, Rosa Parks.
- Forever Ago
- The Children's Hour

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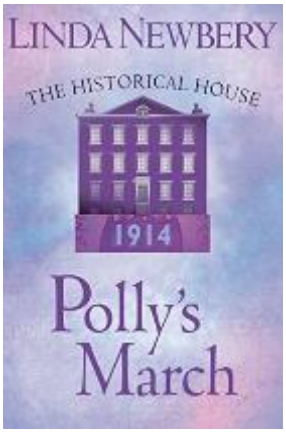

Year 8 Module 7
Votes for Women

Fiction Books
- Polly's March: Linda Newbery
- Suffragette: Sally Heathcote
- Suffragette; The Diary of Dollie Baxter: Carol Drinkwater
- Hearts and Minds: Jane Robinson
- Fighting on the Home Front: Kate Adie

Films
- Suffragette: 2015
- Mary Poppins: 1964

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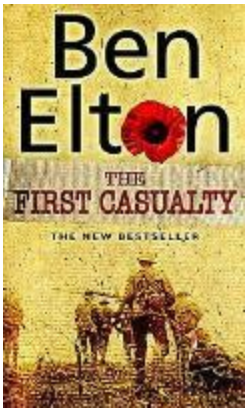


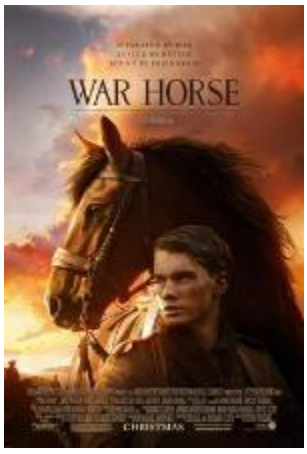
Year 9 Module 1 and 2
The Era of World War I

Fiction Books

- My Story; The Trenches: Jim Eldridge
- Private Peaceful: Michael Morpurgo
- War Horse: Michael Morpurgo
- Road to War; A First World War Girl's Story: Valerie Wilding
- The First Casualty: Ben Elton

Films

- Journey End: 2017
- Forbidden Ground: 2013
- War Horse: 2011
- All Quiet on The Western Front: 1979
- 1917: 2019



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Year 9 Module 3 and 4
The Rise of Dictators and the Era Of the Second World War

Fiction Books
- Good Night Mister Tom: Michelle Magorian
- Code Name Verity: Elizabeth Wein
- Rose Under Fire: Elizabeth Wein
- The War That Saved My Life: Kimberley Brubaker Bradley

Film and TV
- Pearl Harbor: 2001
- Dunkirk: 2017
- The Book Thief: 2013 (Based on the novel of the same name)
- Hitler the Rise of Evil: 2003
- World War II in Colour: 2009

Podcasts
- The World War Two Podcast
- The History of WWII Podcast

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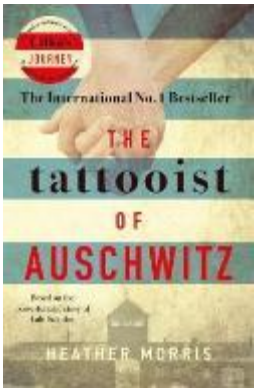

Year 9
The Holocaust

Fiction Books
- The Book Thief: Markus Zusak
- The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas: John Boyne
- My Mother's Ring: Dana Cornell
- The Tattooist of Auschwitz: Heather Morris
- The Storyteller: Jodi Picoult

Films
- Schindler's List: 1993
- The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas: 2008
- The Pianist: 2002
- Auschwitz: 2011