

A-Level History Transition Work

Unit 1L-The quest for political stability: Germany, 1871-1991

Things to watch.

- Rise of the Nazis-BBC iPlayer-[BBC iPlayer - Rise of the Nazis](#)
- Otto von Bismarck-The Iron Chancellor [Otto von Bismarck: The Iron Chancellor - YouTube](#)
- Berlin-1945 [BBC iPlayer - Berlin 1945](#)

Task 1: Make fact files on these key individuals

- Kaiser Wilhelm I
- Otto von Bismarck
- Kaiser Wilhelm II
- Gustav Stresemann
- Paul von Hindenburg
- Adolf Hitler
- Konrad Adenauer
- Helmut Kohl

Task 2: Make a timeline of key events in German history between the years 1871-1991. Make sure you write a brief description for each event.

Task 3: Create fact files on the following key events

- The Kaisereich-1871-1914
- The of the First World War on Germany
- The role of the Weimar Government
- Hyperinflation
- Germany and the Great Depression
- The Nazi Terror State
- The post-war division of Germany
- The re-unification of Germany

Reading list

- Access to History-The Unification of Germany by Alan Farmer and Andrina Stiles
- Access to History-From Bismarck to Hitler by Geoff Layton

Unit 2E: English Revolution 1625-1660

Things to watch.

- English Civil War: A people divided - The English Civil Wars - A People Divided - Full Documentary - Ep1 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KDvQw9SzoV0>
- What caused the English Civil War? - [What caused the English Civil War? | Origins of the Civil War | 5 Minute History](#)
- English Civil War: Blood on our hands - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k7jfpgFdX2E>

Task 1:

Create brief fact-files on the following key leaders from across the period. Include when they ruled, their key policies and any turning points in their regimes:

- James I and VI
- Charles I
- Charles II
- Sir John Eliot
- Thomas Wentworth
- Thomas Fairfax
- Oliver Cromwell

Task 2: Investigate the reasons why Charles I lost the English Civil War. Try and identify and briefly outline two or three reasons why this defeat might have been a turning point in British History.

Task 3: Create brief fact-files on some of the key events from across the period:

- 1605 Gunpowder Plot
- Settlement of North America (Jamestown, Providence Island Company etc)
- 1611 King James Bible
- Battle of Naseby
- Personal Rule of Charles I 1629-40
- Ship Money

Reading list

- Access to History-The Early Stuarts and the English Revolution