

Qualification at a glance

The Pearson Edexcel Level 3 Advanced Subsidiary GCE in History consists of two examination papers.

Students must complete all assessment in May/June in any single year.

Paper 1: Breadth study with interpretations *Paper codes: 8HI0/1A–1H

- Externally assessed.
- Availability: May/June.
- First assessment: 2016.

**60% of the
total
qualification**

Overview of content

Students take **one**** of the following options:

- 1A:** The crusades, c1095–1204
- 1B:** England, 1509–1603: authority, nation and religion
- 1C:** Britain, 1625–1701: conflict, revolution and settlement
- 1D:** Britain, c1785–c1870: democracy, protest and reform
- 1E:** Russia, 1917–91: from Lenin to Yeltsin
- 1F:** In search of the American Dream: the USA, c1917–96
- 1G:** Germany and West Germany, 1918–89
- 1H:** Britain transformed, 1918–97

Overview of assessment***

- Written examination, lasting 2 hours 15 minutes.
- Marks available: 60
- Students answer three questions: one from Section A, one from Section B and one from Section C.
- **Sections A and B** comprise a choice of essays that assess understanding of the period in breadth (AO1).
- **Section C** comprises one compulsory question that assesses the ability to analyse and evaluate historical interpretations (AO3).

* See *Appendix 3: Codes* for information about this code and all other codes relevant to this qualification.

** The choice of the option for Paper 1 will determine the options that may be taken for Paper 2. See the tables on *pages 3–4* for further information.

*** See *pages 70–72* for more information about assessment.