



BJS History Curriculum

	Year 3 History							
Term & Topic	Learning questions	Vocabulary	Knowledge	Skills	Enrichment	Global Citizen Links		
Spr 2 Island Life	What are the differences between primary and secondary sources? What did Charles Darwin do on December 27, 1831? What do Darwin's original logs say about the flora he found on Galapagos Islands? What do Darwin's original logs say about the fauna he found on Galapagos Islands?	 Explorer Scientist Galapagos Islands Fauna Flora Hemisphere Equator Human features Natural features 	Broader History Study To know a brief life story of Charles Darwin.	Chronological Understanding To be able to put life story events in chronological order Historical enquiry To be able to select and record relevant information including multiple sources	Maritime Museum			
Sum 2 Scavengers and settlers	What are the differences between fossils and artefacts? How have humans changed over time? What can I find out about the Stone Age using secondary sources?	 Source Primary source Secondary source Past Present Stone age tools Cave paintings artefact Neolithic Hunter-gathers 	British History To know about the Stone Age to Iron Age Britain, including: - Hunter-gatherers and early farmers (Skara Brae) - Stone age tools - Cave paintings	Chronological Understanding To understand events and periods using the words: BC, AD and decade To understand events from the past using dates when things happened	Museum of London/ Chislehurst Caves	Community – Cultural capital when visiting Museum of London or Chislehurst Caves Global – how has our world changed from early civilisations, what aspects of the early civilisations still		





Where is Skara Brae
and what was it like?

What artefacts were found at Skara Brae and how do they inform us about life there?

In the Iron age, where in Britain have people chosen to settle and why?

Why and how did hill forts in Britain become self-sufficient?

How did the Stone age, Bronze age and Iron age differ?

What are the most significant achievements of early civilisations and why?

- Skara Brae
- Bronze
- Iron age
- Hill forts
- Tribal kingdoms
- Ancient
- Civilisation
- Celts
- Ancestor
- Artefact
- Fossil
- Migration
- Palaeontologist
- Prehistoric
- Species

- Bronze age religion, technology and travel (Stonehenge)
- Iron age/ hill forts

To know about the Stone Age to Iron Age European region:

- Vedic period To know the achievements of the earliest civilizationsan overview of where and when the first civilizations appeared

Knowledge and interpretation

To be able to discuss significant events, dates and features of past societies

To understand what life would have been like for the early settlers

To be able to describe events and periods using the words: ancient and century

To understand a timeline within a specific time in history to set out the order things may have happened

Knowledge and interpretation

To be able to discuss significant events, dates and features of past societies

To be able to understand what life would have been like for the early settlers

To be able to suggest reasons for particular events and changes

Historical enquiry

To be able to study an artefact within its historical context

To be able to understand the difference between primary and secondary sources

To be able to, through research, identify similarities and differences between given periods in history exist in our lives today?









	Why was the afterlife		pyramids and how they were			
	important to Ancient Egyptians?		built.			
	Who was Howard Carter and why was he important?					
Spr 2 Different Places, Similar Lives	Who was Frank Beadle? (Frank's Park) Who has had a positive impact on our country?	 Local Inventions Achievement Category Debate Origin Personality 	British History To understand the lives of significant historical figures, including comparison of those from different periods e.g. Frank Beadle A Local Study To know significant historical events, people and places in their own locality Belvedere Floods 1953	Knowledge and interpretation To be able to explain how events from the past have helped shape our lives To be able to select and record relevant information including multiple sources To be able to give an opinion on the most significant contributor to change	Local walk Crossness Engines Thames Barrier	Personal – what does this teach me about aspirations and resilience? What STEM pioneers changed history? Community – Who has had a positive impact from my community? Global How has the world changed over time? Who has had a positive impact on
Sum 1	Who should be known	 Railways 	British History	Chronological	Transport	the world? Personal
	as the 'Father of the	• Town	To understand the lives of	Understanding	Museum	What STEM pioneers
All	Railways'?	CityTravellers	significant historical figures, including comparison of	To be able to place periods of history on a timeline		have existed and how have they
Aboard	Who were navvies?	TravellersCarriage	those from different periods	showing periods of time		changed the world
	villo were mavvies:	Engine/locomotive	e.g.	Showing periods of time		we live in today?
		• Entrepreneur	- George	Knowledge and		
		Eyewitness	Stephenson	interpretation		





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What impact does a	• Suburb	(father of the	To understand that multiple		Character education		
railway have on a town	Victorian Era	railways)	causes contribute to change		– what type of		
or a city?		 impact of 			character did these		
		Brunel on the	To be able to select and		inventors have?		
Was the railway always		development	record relevant information				
safe?		of the railways	including multiple sources		Personal goals –		
		To understand Victorian life			what type of		
What were the railways		and travel	To be able to give an opinion		character did it take		
like for Victorian			on the most significant		to build the railways		
travellers?		To understand the	contributor to change		and change the way		
		similarities and differences			the UK could travel		
Where would Victorians		between holidays past and	Historical enquiry		and progress?		
go on holiday and why?		present					
			To be able to explain how		Aspirations – is the		
How were holidays then		To know the early	events from the past have		goal to build a		
and now similar and yet		innovations that led to the	helped shape our lives		railway or to change		
different?		creation of the railways			the way people live		
					their lives for the		
How has railway		To understand different			better?		
technology developed		perspectives on the					
over time?		development of the railways			Community		
					How has the railway		
M/hat invantional have		To know how the railways			system changed how		
What inventions have		were built			people can live their		
changed the world?					lives in our local		
		To understand how the			community?		
		railways changed people's					
		lives			Cultural capital –		
					when visiting the		
		To know the technological			transport museum		
		developments in train					
		design.					
Year 5							

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Term &	Learning questions	Vocabulary	Knowledge	Skills	Enrichment	Global Citizen
Topic						Links
Aut 1+2	Why was the first Moon	 Constellation 	Broader History Study	Chronological	Royal	Personal
Aut 1+2 Space Scientists	Why was the first Moon landing significant? What do you think were the most significant events that have inspired or led to developments in space science? How did different astronomers contribute to our understanding of the Solar System?	 Constellation Astronaut Galileo Astronomer Armstrong Telescope NASA Apollo project Satellite Lunar 	Broader History Study To know about the first moon landing and past discoveries about space	Chronological Understanding To be able to use mathematical skills to work out exact time scales of key events Knowledge and interpretation To understand that significant events in history have helped shape the world we have today To be able to explain results/ consequences of historical events, situations Know how ideas, beliefs and attitudes in the past influence the present Historical enquiry To be able to formulate questions related to different perspectives of the past	Royal Observatory /Planetarium Science Museum	Personal What STEM pioneers have existed and how have they changed the world we live in today? Personal goals — what type of personal goals did astronomers or astronauts need to have to succeed? Character education — what type of character did these scientists have to make their discoveries? Aspirations — how to get the opportunity to go to space Community Cultural capital — when visiting the Royal Observatory and planetarium



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San 1	What was life like in		British History	Chronological	Hall place	Why do we need to look after our atmosphere? How does it look after us? Is there life on other planets?
Spr 1 The Great, The Bold and The Brave	Ancient Greece? What was life like as an Athenian compared to a Spartan? Who was Alexander the Great and why is he an important historical character? How did the lives of the rich and the poor in Rome differ? What made the Roman army so successful? What was the path of the Roman invasions and why did they choose it? What were the key factors that led to the	 Amphitheatre Barbarian Conquer Emperor Empire Gladiator Legend Legion Myth Republic Slave Temple Roman Britain Julius Caesar Invasion Hadrian's Wall Romanisation of Britain Anglo Saxons Alfred the Great Invasion Viking raids Long boats Architecture Columns 	Roman's impact on the Celts To know about Anglo-Saxons and Vikings, including: Roman withdrawal from Britain; Invasions, settlements and kingdoms of Anglo Saxons Alfred the Great Viking invasions; Battle of Hastings Broader History Study To know about Ancient Greece and it's lasting influence on the Western World (democracy; architecture; theatre; medicine; philosophy) To know about the Roman Empire and successful invasions	Understanding To understand a timeline with different time periods outlined which show different information, such as, periods of history, when famous people lived, etc. To be able to classify and organise events and societies both chronologically and regionally Knowledge and interpretation To be able to make comparisons between historical periods; explaining things that have changed and things which have stayed the same. Historical enquiry To understand how historical	Ancient Greeks Loan box. Model figurines and Roman coins (Y5 area)	Culture from across the world Society How did society function in Ancient Greece and Rome – what is the same and what is different to our lives today? Personal What character traits did the Roman soldiers need to have to succeed? Character education - What character traits did the Vikings need to have to succeed?
	fall of the Roman Empire?	 Philosophy 		artefacts have helped us understand more about		





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	What impact did the Roman Empire have on Britain? Why did the Anglo-Saxons invade Britain? Why did the Vikings invade Britain? How were Vikings and Anglo Saxons similar and different?		To know about the fall of Roman Empire To know how ideas, beliefs and attitudes in the past influence the present	British lives in the present and past To be able to infer reasons for historical events, situations and changes	
Sum 1 The Holiday Show	What historical locations are people keen to visit and why? What are the key historical features of London/Greenwich? What historical features would attract people to London/Greenwich?	 Historical features Attractions Human features Industry Natural phenomenon Physical features Tourist Tourism Palace Museum Tourist site 	A Local Study Understand an aspect of history or a site locally dating from a period beyond 1066 that is significant in the locality.	Chronological Understanding To be able to use dates and historical language in their work Knowledge and interpretation To be able to communicate knowledge and understanding orally and in writing and offer points of view based upon what they have found out	Community Looking at my local area and demographic – what are some key historical features? Local area comparisons with the wider world Cultural capital – what is on my doorstep and what makes it special? Society How have ideas, beliefs and attitudes influenced life today





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Topic	Learning questions	Vocabalai y	Kilowicage	Skiiis	Linicinicine	Links			
Aut 2	Can you create a	Chronology	Broader History Study	Chronological		Links			
Full	timeline to illustrate the	Benjamin Franklin	Know the first people to	Understanding					
Power	most significant	• •	make discoveries about	To know where a period of					
	discoveries in the		electricity.	history fits on a timeline					
	history of electricity?			To know a specific event on					
				a timeline by decade					
				Knowledge and					
				interpretation					
				Understand ancient and					
				modern technological					
				developments and their					
				impacts					
Spr 1	What archaeological	 Archaeologist 	Broader History Study	Chronological					
900 CE	evidence can you find that survived from the	• Oba	To know about a Non-	Understanding					
	ancient Mayan	Benin Bronzes	European Society Ancient Mayans	To know where a period of history fits on a timeline					
	civilisation?	British Empire	Understand the	mistory hits on a timeline					
	c	colonialismartefacts	achievements of	To understand features of					
	What do we know	brass plaque	the Ancient Mayans	historical events and people					
	about the Mayan	guild	Understand how it	from past societies and					
	lifestyle from the	• Edo	was ruled	periods in a chronological					
	artefacts we see?	 coral jewellery 	Understand their	framework					
	11	Ancient	religion	Wassaladas and					
	How did the Mayan write and record?	 Artefact 	Understand how	Knowledge and					
	write and record?	BCE - Before the	the empire declined	interpretation To understand the main					
	What factors may have	Common Era		events from a specific period					
	contributed to the	 CE - Common Era 		in history, explaining the					



Why did the Islamic

Empire expand?

What do we know

about the Islamic



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decline of the Mayan empire?	CivilisationDeclineEmpire	To know about a Non- European Society Ancient Benin (West Africa)	order in which key events happened	
What evidence has survived to tell us/historians about Benin and the Edo people? What do we know about the Benin lifestyle from the	 Glyph Invader Kingdom Leader Noble Ruins Slave Society 	 Understand the achievements of the Kingdom of Benin Understand the achievements of the Ancient Mayans Understand how it was ruled Understand their 	To understand what Britain may have learnt from other countries and civilizations through time gone by and more recently To understand features of historical events and people from past societies and periods they have studied	
artefacts we see? What might it have been like to live in Benin? What jobs did		religion • Understand how the empire declined	To understand differences and similarities/ changes and continuity between different periods of history	
people have? Why is the Igue Festival		To know about a Non- European Society Islamic Empire	To understand ancient and modern technological developments and their	
important to the beliefs of the Edo People?		Understand the achievements of	impacts Historical enquiry	
What events led to the decline and fall of Benin?		the Ancient MayansUnderstand how it was ruled	To be able to look at two different versions and say how the author may be attempting to persuade or	
<u>OR</u>		 Understand their religion 	give a specific viewpoint	

Understand how

Know how historians build

inferences about the past

based on evidence

the empire declined

To be able to ask relevant

questions to extend their

knowledge of a period in

understanding and

history





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	Empire lifestyle from the artefacts we see? What might it have been like to live in the 'Golden Age' of the Islamic Empire? Which invasions may have led to the fall of the Islamic Empire? Which events do you think were the most important in bringing about the decline of the 'Golden Age'?			To be able to formulate questions related to different perspectives of the past	ACADEMY
Spr 2 WWII	What started WW2? What were key events in WW2 and which countries were involved? Who were the significant leaders of WW2? What was life like for children in Britain? Why were children evacuated?	 Holocaust Genocide Jewish Battle of Britain Hitler Britain Poland France Germany Occupy Bombing Air Raid Air Raid Shelter Propaganda Rationing Evacuation 	British History To understand a significant turning point in British history To understand life in Britain in WW2 by understanding: evacuation; Blitz; rationing; air raids To know the events of the battle of Britain To know how WW2 shaped our world today	Chronological Understanding To understand features of historical events in a chronological framework To understand chronologically secure knowledge and understanding of British, local and world history, establishing clear narratives within and across the periods they study.	





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		Winston Churchill	To understand what Britain	Knowledge and	
	What was the Blitz?	 Blitz 	may have learnt from other	interpretation	
		Allies	countries and civilizations	To understand features of	
	What was rationing and	 VE Day 	through time gone by and	historical events and people	
	why was it needed?	,	more recently	from past societies and	
				periods they have studied.	
	What impact did		Broader History Study		
	women have in WWII?		To know the key events of	To be able to construct	
			WW2	informed responses that	
	Why was the Battle of			involve thoughtful selection	
	Britain significant?		To know which countries	and organisation of relevant	
			were allies in WW2	historical information.	
	How did the end of the				
	war shape our world				
	today?			Historical enquiry	
				To be able to address and	
				sometimes devise historically	
				valid questions about	
				change, cause, similarity and	
				difference, and significance.	
				To understand how our	
				knowledge of the past is	
				constructed from a range of	
				sources both primary and	
				secondary.	