



ARMADALE ACADEMY

National 5 History How to Pass Guide

for parents and carers

Exam breakdown and links to key SQA documents

- Exam Breakdown: One Paper lasting 2 hrs 20 minutes. This is worth a total of 70 marks
 - Section 1 – Era of the Great War
 - Section 2 – Atlantic Slave Trade
 - Section 3 – Hitler and Nazi Germany
- Exam Components: 100% exam (2022 only)
- Past Papers: <https://www.sqa.org.uk/pastpapers/findpastpaper.htm?searchText=history&subject=History&level=N5&includeMi=on>

Resources to support your child

External

- BBC Bitesize Era of the Great War - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z8phvcw>
- BBC Bitesize The Atlantic Slave Trade - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zqyfr82>
- BBC Bitesize Hitler and Nazi Germany - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/znk9q6f>

Internal

- Microsoft Teams (Files->Class Materials)
 - N5 Classwork
 - Exemplar answers
 - Homework
 - Question Instructions
 - Revision Materials
 - Textbooks

Practical strategies to support your child

- Answering past paper exam questions and self-marking against the marking instructions - these are available from the SQA website (see previous information)
- Source and Knowledge Questions should be practiced under timed conditions
 - Evaluate Questions – 10 minutes
 - How fully Questions – 10 minutes
 - Comparison Questions – 5 minutes
 - Describe Questions – 5 minutes
 - Explain Questions – 10 minutes
 - Extended Response Questions – 15 minutes
- Record yourselves reading out your revision notes and listen to them while walking to school, in the car, on a bus.
- Mind map information on each topic.
- Use colour to code revision notes.
- Create flash-cards.
- Highlight areas where you are unsure and make sure these areas remain a key revision focus.
- Make a list of key words for each topic (See the glossaries in your jotters) – memorise these words and what they mean.
- Make a list of examples for each topic and memorise these

How can you support your child?

- Help them to create a revision timetable so that revision isn't left until the last minute.
- Quiz your child on the material in their jotter / handouts after they have revised a particular topic.
- Get your child to teach you about a particular topic. Teaching others is a very effective way to learn information.