EASTBURY SUBJECT CURRICULUM

Subject	**A2 HISTORY**
Year Group	**13**
Overview	**Unit 3: Examined unit: Option D: The Challenge of Fascism: Topic D1 From Kaiser to Führer: Germany, 1900-45.** Students study a range of factors associated with social and political change. They also address, and are invited to pass reasoned judgement upon issues which have provoked disagreement and controversy among historians. A key element of study in Option D1 relates to the evaluation of interpretations relating to responsibility for the outbreak of the First World War and the popularity and efficiency of the Nazi regime in Germany. The examination is 2 hours. Students answer: One question in Section A out of a choice of two (30 marks) One question in Section B out of a choice of two (40 marks). Students study four key elements (for answering the Section A question: - imperial Germany before and during the First World War (1900-1918); - the first ten years of the Weimar Republic (from end of 1918 up to end of 1929); - the birth and development of the Nazi Party before 1928 and the reasons for its transformation between 1928 and 1930; social, economic and political developments between 1930 and 1933 which led to Hitler's appointment as Chancellor in January 1933 and the growth and consolidation of dictatorship in the first six months of that year. - the Third Reich during the Second World War, especially the war's domestic impact. Students study morale, the efficiency or otherwise of war production, repression of dissent and opposition and the evolution of the 'Final Solution'. Students study two historical controversies for the Part B question: In part B, students will use their knowledge of the period as a whole to provide a broad context but, in addition, they will need detailed knowledge of the two issues selected as subjects of historical controversy:- The first controversy requires a study of German foreign policy c1900-1914 and the controversy surrounding Germany's 'war guilt.' The second controversy requires a study of the nature of the Third Reich prior to the outbreak of war. A key question that students must consider is: Was it a chaotic 'polycracy' or a state efficiently answering to the Führer's will? **Unit 4: Coursework : The Making of Modern Russia 1856 – 1964** This option focuses on the similarities and differences between the rule of the Tsars and communist rule and the impact of these systems of rule upon the peasantry. The course addresses key aspects of Russian history, 1856 to 1964. Process of change is examined. Long-term and Short –term causes will be examined as well as the consequences of change. An understanding will be demonstrated of the factors, which accelerate, consolidate or delay the process of change. Students choose the part (a) and (b) question subject to approval by Edexcel
Term by term	
Autumn	Autumn Term (1st half): Unit 4: Coursework : The Making of Modern Russia 1856 – 1964 Students spend the first half of the autumn term working on their essays and receiving in-class teaching and support. Autumn Term (2nd half): Unit 3: element 1: imperial Germany before and during the First World War (1900-1918). (This will include the first historical controversy of Germany's 'war guilt' for WW1.
Spring	Spring Term (1st half): Unit 3: element 2: the first ten years of the Weimar Republic (from end of 1918 up to end of 1929). element 3:

	Spring Term (2nd half): - the birth and development of the Nazi Party before 1928 and the reasons for its transformation between 1928 and 1930; social, economic and political developments between 1930 and 1933 which led to Hitler's appointment as Chancellor in January 1933 and the growth and consolidation of dictatorship in the first six months of that year.
Summer	Revision for public exams
Homework	Exam questions and independent research
Additional information	Students complete the coursework element as a piece of independent research and are thus expected to seek out material which will enable them to write a highly analytical argument. The coursework consists of two essays, each no more than 2,000 words in length.
Useful resources	**UNIT 3 RESOURCES:** *Documentaries:* Rees, Lawrence *The Nazis A Warning From History* [THIS IS ESSENTIAL VIEWING] Rees, Lawrence, *Auschwitz* [EXCELLENT ANALYSIS OF THE FINAL SOLUTION] *The Great War* (BBC, 1964) *The World At War* (Thames Television. 1973) *Film:* *Cabaret* (1972) – film - A female girlie club entertainer in Weimar Republic era Berlin romances two men while the Nazi Party rises to power around them. An iconic film! *Downfall* (2004) – a German film with English sub-titles. Traudl Junge, the final secretary for Adolf Hitler, tells of the Nazi dictator's final days in his Berlin bunker at the end of WWII. *Holocaust* (1978) – drama starring Meryl Streep. The saga of a Jewish family's struggle to survive the horror of Nazi Germany's systematic marginalization and extermination of their community. A very good drama from the '70s, which does stand test of time. *Hitler: The Rise of Evil* (2003) - an Anglo-American production profiling the life of Adolf Hitler as a child and his rise through the ranks of the National German Workers' Party prior to World War II. *Schindler's List* (1993) – American film, directed by Stephen Spielberg. In Poland during World War II, Oskar Schindler gradually becomes concerned for his Jewish workforce after witnessing their persecution by the Nazis. *Sophie Scholl: The Final Days* (2005) – in German with English sub-titles. This tells the true story of Sophie Scholl and the White Rose Movement. A brilliant film! *The Pianist* (2002) - A Polish Jewish musician struggles to survive the destruction of the Warsaw ghetto of World War II. Very strong depictions of violence in the Warsaw ghetto. *Books (Core reading):* GREGOR, Neil (eds), *Nazism, War And Genocide - New perspectives on the history of the Third Reich*; Paperback 9780859898065 | Published: 2008 KERSHAW, *Ian The Nazi Dictatorship: Problems And Perspectives Of Interpretation* (Paperback) Hodder Education Publishers Paperback [ISBN: 0340550473 (ISBN 13:

	9780340550472)] KERSHAW, Ian, *Hitler. 1889-1936: Hubris; 1936-1945: Nemesis*, London: Penguin Books 1998 and 2000, vol. I LAYTON, Geoff, *Access to History: From Kaiser to Fuhrer: Germany 1900-45 for Edexcel, Hodder Education* [ISBN 9780340990155] WARNOCK, Barbara, *My Revision Notes: Edexcel A2 History: From Kaiser to Fuhrer: Germany 1900-45*; ISBN Hodder Education NOAKES, J and PRIDHAM, G (eds.), *Nazism 1919-1945 Volume 1 - The Rise to Power 1919-1934: A Documentary Reader* [ISBN 9780859895989 | 1998 NOAKES, J and PRIDHAM, G (eds.), *Nazism 1919-1945 Volume 2 - State, Economy and Society 1933-39: A Documentary Reader*, Paperback [ISBN 9780859895996] 2000 NOAKES, J and PRIDHAM, G (eds.), Nazism 1919-1945 Volume 3 - Foreign Policy, War and Racial Extermination: A Documentary Reader; Paperback [ISBN 9780859896023] 2001 NOAKES, J and PRIDHAM, G (eds.), *Nazism 1919-1945 Volume 4 - The German Home Front in World War II: A Documentary Reader* REES, Lawrence *The Nazis, A warning from History* (BBC Books, 1997, Reprinted 2006) *Books (recommended reading):* ALLEN, William Sheridan *The Nazi Seizure of Power, The experience of a single German town 1922-45* (Penguin Books, 1984) BRACHER, Karl Dietrich The German Dictatorship, The origins, structure and consequences of National Socialism (Penguin Books, 1984) BURLEIGH, Michael The Third Reich A New History (Macmillan, 2000) EVANS, Richard J The Coming of the Third Reich (Allen Lane, 2003) EVANS, Richard J The Third Reich In Power, How the Nazis won power over the hearts and minds of a nation (Allen Lane, 2005) HITE, John and Chris Hinton, Weimar & Nazi Germany, Advanced History Core Texts (John Murray, 2000) JENKINS, Jane, Hitler and Nazism 1933-45 (Longman, 1998) KERSHAW , Ian The Nazi Dictatorship, Problems and Perspectives of Interpretation (Edward Arnold, 1985) KERSHAW , Ian The 'Hitler Myth': Image and Reality in The Third Reich (Oxford University Press, 1987) LANG, Jochen von The Secretary, Martin Borman: The man who manipulated Hitler (Random House, 1979) REITLINGER, Gerald The SS Alibi of A Nation 1922-45 (Arms &Armour Press, 1981) MOMMSEN, Hans *The Rise & Fall of Weimar Democracy* (Chapel Hill, 1989, Translated 1996) PADFIELD, Peter *Himmler Reichsfuhrer SS* (Macmillan, 1990) PEUKERT, Detlev JK *Inside Nazi Germany, Conformity, Opposition and Racism in everyday life* (Penguin Books, 1987)

STERN, J.P., Hitler *The Fuhrer and the People* (Fontana, 1975)

THURLOW, Richard *Fascism Perspectives in History* (Cambridge University Press, 1999)

UNIT 4 RESOURCES:

Journals:
The Russian Review, Quarterly,Wiley-Blackwell [http://www.russianreview.org/]
Contemporary European History, Quarterly, Cambridge University Press

Websites:

HYPERLINK "http://www.historytoday.com/" http://www.historytoday.com/
http://www.jstor.org/discover/10.2307/130295?uid=3738032&uid=2&uid=4&sid=21103834423767
http://www.gresham.ac.uk/lectures-and-events/the-christian-church-in-the-soviet-period
http://www.gresham.ac.uk/lectures-and-events/the-age-of-dictatorship-europe-1918-1989-stalin-and-his-imitators
http://oyc.yale.edu/history/hist-202/lecture-19

Books:
EVANS AND JENKINS (2001), *Years of Russia and the USSR 1851 – 1991*, Hodder Murray [ISBN: 978-0340789490]

FITZPATRICK, Sheila (2008), *The Russian Revolution*, OUP Oxford 3 edition [ISBN-13: 978-0199237678]

LEE, Stephen J (2005), *Russia and the USSR, 1855-1991: Autocracy and Dictatorship* (Questions and Analysis in History), Routledge New Ed edition [ISBN-13: 978-0415335775]

MURPHY AND MORRIS (2008), *Russia 1855-1964*, Collins Educational [ISBN-13: 978-0007268672]

OXLEY, Peter (2001), *Russia 1855-1991 From Tsars to Commissars*, Oxford Advanced History OUP Oxford [ISBN-13: 978-0199134182]

PHILLIPS, Steve (2000), *Heinemann Advanced History: Stalinist Russia*, Heinemann; 1 edition [ISBN-13: 978-0435327200]

SERVICE, Robert (2009), *The Penguin History of Modern Russia: From Tsarism to the Twenty-first Century*, Penguin Paperback [ISBN-13: 978-0141037974]

Audio/documentary:

SIXSMITH, Martin (2011), Russia*: Part One: From Rulers to Revolutions*, The first 25 episodes from the landmark BBC Radio series.

SIXSMITH, Martin (2011), *Russia: Part Two: The Rise and Fall of the Soviets*. Martin Sixsmith continues his history of Russia, from the tumultuous events of 1917 to the country's re-emergence as one of the world's most powerful nations**.**