

# 5 hours in... History

The most successful A Level students spend their frees and spare time completing independent study. Here is how to best use that time....

Consolidation learning (summarise)	Reactive learning (homework)	Proactive learning (revision – My learning resources)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Re-read your previous lesson notes before the next lesson.</li> <li>• After every Chapter/Topic summarise your notes by:</li> <li>• Completing a 5-5-1 sheet</li> <li>• Add to your synoptic links sheet</li> <li>• Creating a list of 5 key questions and check you could answer them</li> <li>• Go back over notes and add new key words or people to your key word or people bank</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Each week you should complete the pre-reading for this week’s lessons</li> <li>• Complete your homework. You may get home learning from each teacher</li> <li>• Prepare for the knowledge quiz for the following week</li> <li>• Organise your notes in your folder: For each Chapter you should have your Knowledge Organiser, Notes, Questions, Homework tasks, Topic Assessment,</li> <li>• If both above tasks are complete – get ahead! Spend some more time on the PROACTIVE section using the resources in the MY LEARNING RESOURCES section.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Read, Cover, Write and Check” sections of Knowledge organisers (15 minutes)</li> <li>• Get an article from Jstor based on the topic you’ve just completed – read it and add to your class notes on that topic (30 minutes)</li> <li>• Get an article from Jstor – read it and summarise the main argument of the historian (20 minutes)</li> <li>• Use the specification checklist to evaluate your understanding (10 mins)</li> <li>• “Read, Cover, Write and Check” sections of Knowledge organisers (30 mins)</li> <li>• Consolidate understanding in timeline chronology tasks (15 minutes)</li> <li>• Complete essay plans (5-10 minutes)</li> <li>• Practice writing timed essays - from your History textbooks or from the MY LEARNING RESOURCES section (1hr or 45 minutes)</li> </ul>

A Level useful websites	Beyond A Level – Pre university – useful websites
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AQA - <a href="#">AQA   Resources   Past Papers &amp; AQA Mark Schemes</a></li> <li>• Revolutionary Russia - <a href="#">Revolutionary Russia :: Home</a> (username: <a href="mailto:becrmd@beckfoot.org">becrmd@beckfoot.org</a> password: Beckfoot20)</li> <li>• Tudor History website - <a href="https://tudorhistory.org/people/h.html">https://tudorhistory.org/people/h.html</a></li> <li>• Jstor - <a href="#">JSTOR Home</a> (username: BeckFootSchool Password: donelson)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read any of the preparing for University articles in the MY LEARNING RESOURCES section</li> <li>• Jstor - <a href="#">JSTOR Home</a> (username: BeckFootSchool Password: donelson)</li> <li>• Modern History Review: <a href="#">Boost Learning - Courses   Resources   Lessons   eBooks   Knowledge Tests</a></li> </ul>