

Above and Beyond – History (Year 8)

1	Title: The Thirty Years' War	5	Title: Civil Rights in the North of Ireland
	Details: In the early 17 th century the English colonists in North America were developing the Atlantic Slave Trade, meanwhile, elsewhere, most of Europe was at war. Complete the sheet and then you can further research this period of history to create a podcast, leaflet, video, PowerPoint, display, essay or any other method you can think of that would describe and explain this area of history.		Details: The African American Civil Rights movement continued protests and marches for equality in 1967, meanwhile, elsewhere, the same thing was taking place in a part of the United Kingdom. Complete the sheet and then you can further research this period of history to create a podcast, leaflet, video, PowerPoint, display, essay or any other method you can think of that would describe and explain this area of history.
	Curriculum link: Slavery, Stuarts, British Empire		Curriculum link: Civil Rights, British Empire
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2	Title: The Rebellion of 1798	6	Title: The Opium War in China
	Details: At the end of the 18 th century, Britain was considering ending slavery in the Atlantic, meanwhile, in Ireland, the people were rebelling against British rule. Complete the sheet and then you can further research this period of history to create a podcast, leaflet, video, PowerPoint, display, essay or any other method you can think of that would describe and explain this area of history.		Details: Brunel was building the Great Western Railway in England, meanwhile, elsewhere, Britain was at war to control the trade in drugs. Complete the sheet and then you can further research this period of history to create a podcast, leaflet, video, PowerPoint, display, essay or any other method you can think of that would describe and explain this area of history.
	Curriculum link: Slavery, British Empire, Industrial Revolution		Curriculum link: Industrial Revolution, British Empire
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3	Title: Irish Potato Famine	7	Title: American Pioneers
	Details: The USA was heading towards a civil war over the institution of slavery. Meanwhile, elsewhere, millions of people were starving to death in the United Kingdom. Complete the sheet and then you can further research this period of history to create a podcast, leaflet, video, PowerPoint, display, essay or any other method you can think of that would describe and explain this area of history.		Details: The Industrial Revolution was full steam ahead in Britain. Meanwhile, elsewhere, migrants from Europe were pioneering westwards in North America. Complete the sheet and then you can further research this period of history to create a podcast, leaflet, video, PowerPoint, display, essay or any other method you can think of that would describe and explain this area of history.
	Curriculum link: Civil Rights, North America		Curriculum link: Industrial Revolution
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4	Title: Apartheid in South Africa	8	Title: Catherine the Great
	Details: Martin Luther King was fighting for Civil Rights in the USA, meanwhile, in South Africa, black people were suffering oppression in a system called Apartheid. Complete the sheet and then you can further research this period of history to create a podcast, leaflet, video, PowerPoint, display, essay or any other method you can think of that would describe and explain this area of history.		Details: In the late 1700s the French Revolution was taking place, meanwhile, elsewhere, in Russia Catherine the Great was ruling a vast empire. Complete the sheet and then you can further research this period of history to create a podcast, leaflet, video, PowerPoint, display, essay or any other method you can think of that would describe and explain this area of history.
	Curriculum link: Civil Rights		Curriculum link: French Revolution
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English colonists were developing slavery in America...

meanwhile, elsewhere...

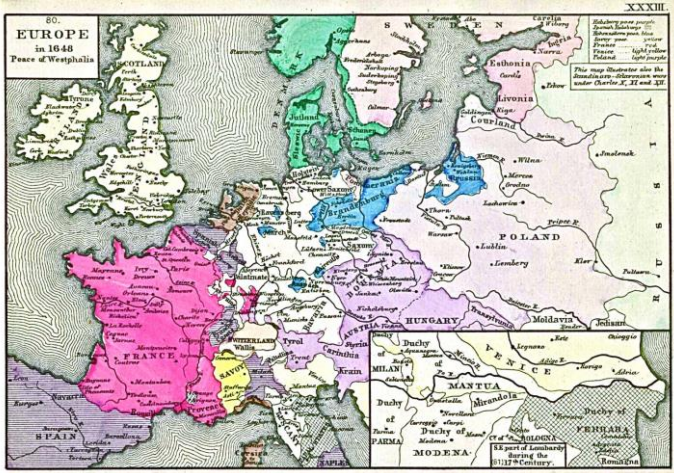
countries across Europe fought in the Thirty Years' War.

KEY INFORMATION:

The Thirty Years' War lasted from _____ to _____, largely took place in an area called the Holy _____.



A map of Europe in the 1640s. **Highlight the countries that were involved in the Thirty Years' War.**



Briefly explain how these factors contributed to the start of the conflict:

Role of religion : _____

Actions of Ferdinand II : _____

Defenestration of Prague: _____

Historians often split the war into four phase. **For each phase briefly outline who was involved and what happened:**

The Bohemian phase 1618-1625 : _____

The Danish phase 1625-1630 : _____

The Swedish phase 1630-1635 : _____

The French phase 1635-1648 : _____

Create a timeline of key events in the 30 Years' War



What was the outcome of the 30 Years' War and what impact did it have?

Useful websites, videos and podcasts:

- <https://www.history.com/topics/thirty-years-war>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B18zwAVO4q0>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ej7eFLgFzN4>

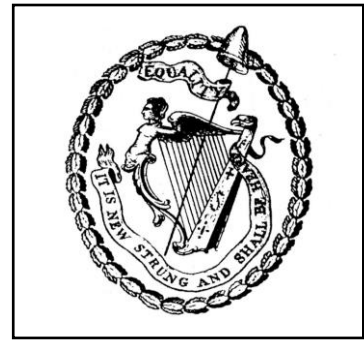
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Britain went to war against France, led by Napoleon...

Meanwhile, elsewhere...

The United Irishmen led a rebellion against the British rule.



KEY INFORMATION:

The Rebellion against _____ rule in Ireland began on ___ May 1798 and ended in defeat for the _____ in _____ 1798.

Task: Highlight the Irish Counties involved in the Rebellion.

Extension: How far can it be called an Irish Rebellion?

Events of the Rebellion:

1. What signalled the start of the uprising on the 23rd May 1798?

2. Who suppressed the fighting in Dublin?

3. Where was the rebellion successful?

4. Who was in charge of the rebels who broke the defences at Enniscorthy?

5. What was the highpoint of the rebellion, and where did they regroup?

6. What happened on the 21st June at Vinegar Hill?

The United Irishmen:

1. What were the United Irishmen?

2. What were they influenced by?

3. What did they want?

4. Name three of their leaders.

British Reaction to the United Irishmen:

Name 5 things that the British Government did to try and stop the United Irishmen in the years before the Rebellion.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Aftermath:

1. What happened to the rebels?

2. What was passed in 1801?

3. What did it do?

Challenge: Why was the 1798 Rebellion significant even though it failed?

Useful websites, videos and podcasts:

- https://www.academickids.com/encyclopedia/index.php/Irish_Rebellion_of_1798
- http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/empire_seapower/irish_reb_01.shtml
- <https://www.britannica.com/event/Irish-Rebellion-Irish-history-1798>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f1yB4fJp4qU> (20 Min. Documentary)

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The slave system was about to tear the USA apart...

meanwhile, elsewhere...

The Irish Potato Famine changed Ireland forever.

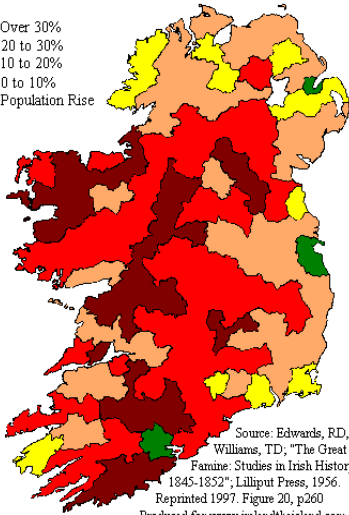


KEY INFORMATION:

In _____ the potato crop which had previously provided _____% of the nation's food needs began to rot all over Ireland. It is estimated that nearly _____ people died during the 4-year famine.

Population Fall in Ireland 1841-1851

- Over 30%
- 20 to 30%
- 10 to 20%
- 0 to 10%
- Population Rise



Source: Edwards, R.D.,
Williams, T.D., "The Great
Famine: Studies in Irish History
1845-1852", Lilliput Press, 1956.
Reprinted 1997, Figure 20, p.260
Produced for www.irelandtheisland.com

Name the three areas shaded green.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Why do you think these areas experienced a **rise in population**?

What caused the potato crop to fail?

What happened to the potatoes?

What **advice** was given to the farmers as to how to treat the diseased potatoes?

Why was the British government heavily **criticised** at the time?



The Famine Statues, Custom House Quay, Docklands, Dublin.

Why is the **location** of this memorial particularly appropriate and symbolic?

What **problems** did the Irish immigrants who fled to Britain face?

1. _____
2. _____

<https://www.britannica.com/event/Great-Famine-Irish-history>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=evtEDIQSwvc>
<https://www.history.com/topics/irish-potato-famine>
<https://www.historylearningsite.co.uk/ireland-1845-to-1922/the-great-famine-of-1845/>

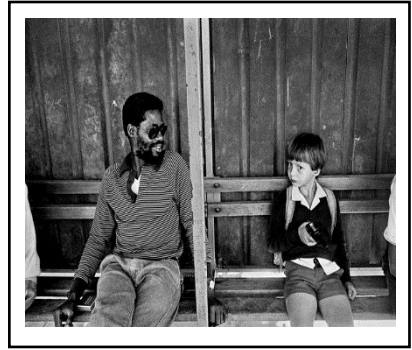
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Martin Luther King fought for civil rights in America...

meanwhile, elsewhere...

Black people in South Africa were living under apartheid.



KEY INFORMATION:

Apartheid, meaning _____, was a system of _____ in place in _____ between ____ - ____.

This is a map of Africa. Shade where apartheid took place.



What was the ANC?

And what role did the ANC play in helping to end apartheid?

1. _____

2. _____

Why was Apartheid introduced?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

What did F.W. de Klerk do differently that made him a significant person in ending apartheid?



Why did Nelson Mandela win the Nobel Peace Prize in 1993?

Describe some aspects of life for black people during apartheid.

Useful websites, videos and podcasts

<https://www.history.com/topics/apartheid>

<http://www.sahistory.org.za/article/history-apartheid-south-africa>

<https://www.britannica.com/biography/F-W-de-Klerk>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-10524587>

<https://www.history.com/topics/apartheid/videos/apartheid?m=528e394da93ae&s=undefined>

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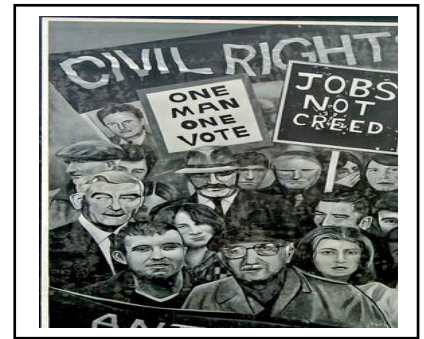
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In 1967, the Civil Rights Movement continued their protest marches for equality amongst all citizens in America...

meanwhile, elsewhere...

The Northern Ireland Civil Rights Association was formed.



KEY INFORMATION: Protesting against discrimination in elections, employment and public housing, NICRA held its most famous march in _____ on the 5th October _____ .



When was Ireland divided into the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland? _____
Why was it divided into these two countries?

Unlike the USA, Civil Rights weren't about race in Northern Ireland. What was the Civil Rights movement about?

Altogether there are 32 counties in the Island of Ireland.
1) How many counties are in Northern Ireland? _____
2) On the map above, highlight those counties that are located in Northern Ireland.



What were some of the aims of NICRA? (Look at the first suggested website below to help you answer this question)
1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

How successful were the NICRA?

1) Who was the Prime Minister of Northern Ireland from 1963-1969?

2) As the peaceful protests escalated into violence, what security policy did the British Government introduce in August 1969?

3) This particular period of history is known as 'the _____' in Northern Ireland. (More about this can be found in another 'Meanwhile, elsewhere...')

Useful websites, videos and podcasts:
The campaign for civil rights: <https://www.bbc.com/education/guides/zg6txfr/revision/1>
The partitioning of Ireland: <https://www.bbc.com/education/guides/zt7msrd/revision/2>
A brief history of the conflicts in Ireland/Northern Ireland. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fcH6sDWR-wA&t=424s>

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The Great Western Railway was constructed in England...

meanwhile, elsewhere...

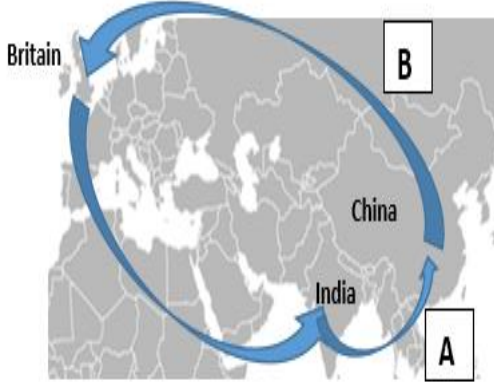
the first Opium war broke out in China.



KEY INFORMATION:

The First Opium War, was an armed conflict between _____ and the Qing dynasty in _____ in the mid ____ century.

Below is a map of the Opium trade.



What is being traded at A?

What is being traded at B?

What was name of the company that controlled the trade route?

How did Commissioner Lin Zexu, try and solve the Opium problem in China?

How did Britain respond to this?

1. _____

2. _____

What is Opium?

Why did Britain trade Opium with China?

1. _____

2. _____

Why was the Treaty of Nanking significant?



Why did Hong Kong end up being controlled by the British until 1997?

What was the effect of opium being introduced to China?

Useful websites, videos and podcasts:

- <https://www.bbc.com/education/clips/zxvwcwx>
- <https://www.britannica.com/topic/Opium-Wars>
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00776k9>
- <https://www.nam.ac.uk/explore/opium-war-1839-1842>

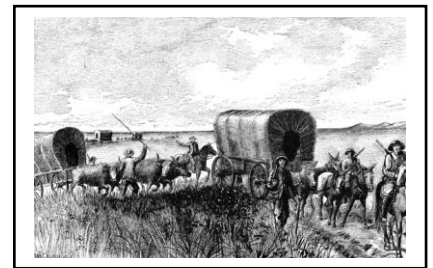
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The Industrial Revolution took place in Britain...

meanwhile, elsewhere...

Many pioneering Americans were making a dangerous journey across the Great Plains of America.



KEY INFORMATION:

In the 1840s, _____ American pioneers (first people to do something) set off from the East and made the _____ km journey to Oregon and California on the _____ Coast of America.

1. In one colour shade in the 13 original states of America.
2. In a second colour, shade in the two western states the pioneers were heading to.
3. In a third colour, shade in the area known as the Great Plains.
4. Finally, draw a line to show the journey made by the pioneers.



The Mormons were a group who successfully crossed the Plains. Find out the answers to these questions:

1. Who were the Mormons?

2. Where did they go? Why?

3. How were they able to successfully live and settle in the West?

The pioneers had to cross the Great Plains. Find out about two geographical features of the Great Plains and explain why each would make the journey difficult:

1. FEATURE _____
DIFFICULTY _____

2. FEATURE _____
DIFFICULTY _____

The gold miners were another group of pioneers. Do some research and write a post-card home from the perspective of a gold-miner describing their experience. It could be positive, negative or both!

One famous group of pioneers was called the Donner Party. What happened to them?

Briefly, explain one significant impact of the American pioneers:

Useful websites, videos and podcasts

<https://www.history.com/topics/donner-party/videos>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/qcsebiteize/history/shp/americanwest/> (see Great Plains and settler tabs)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iydRkC0qMZI>

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The French Revolution was underway...

meanwhile, elsewhere...



Catherine the Great ruled Russia.

KEY INFORMATION:

Catherine the Great was born in _____, and she became Empress of _____ in _____.

Colour in the areas of the world that Catherine ruled over.



Describe how Catherine became **Empress of Russia**:

How did Catherine **improve life** for people in the Russian Empire?

1. _____

2. _____

What was Catherine's name at birth?

Where was she born?

Can you find any evidence that **being a woman affected the way she was treated as a leader**?

How did she make Russia **stronger and more powerful**?

1. _____

2. _____

Why did **Russian law change** after her **death banning women** from becoming rulers?

Useful websites, videos and podcasts

http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/historic_figures/catherine_the_great.shtml

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p003hycx>

<http://www.alexanderpalace.org/palace/catherine.html>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gtlxbyzd7Vg&list=PLhyKYa0YJ_5CB7fbTZCA5mEP

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