

Firstly, sorry for this being your introduction to your new A Level studies. These are unprecedented times for both yourselves as well as your teachers and parents. On the bright side however, and there is one, it will underscore something intrinsically central to success at both A Levels, University and ultimately life – and that is your ability to engage with your learning independently under the direction of your teacher and not the other way around. Your effort, graft and dedication are the single biggest determiners in your success. Leave the teaching to us; you do the learning.

In your preparation for your studies we would like you to undertake independent reading and tasks around the content of your Paper 1 and 2 studies.

The materials and reading are attached and will be set through SMHW as well as made available on Google classroom when the course is supported by it.

Can you please register with the Paper 2 course on Google Classroom using the following code:  
a6frs7r

The course is based around the following textbook:

History+ for Edexcel A Level: Democracies in change: Britain and the USA in the twentieth century

The Amazon link for the book is:

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/product/1471837688/ref=as\\_li\\_ss\\_tl?ie=UTF8&&linkCode=ll1&tag=historynetwor-21&linkId=abb9065c5e85e018beeecaf4ef1a181f&language=en\\_GB](https://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/product/1471837688/ref=as_li_ss_tl?ie=UTF8&&linkCode=ll1&tag=historynetwor-21&linkId=abb9065c5e85e018beeecaf4ef1a181f&language=en_GB)

This textbook will cover the contents for both Paper's 1 & 2 i.e. everything you will need in Year12. We do have a limited supply of books in school but obviously cannot access them at present. We can issue these on a first come first served basis upon re-opening.

The more of this textbook you can read before your studies start in September the better. In the meantime, I would like you to work through the reading and structured worksheets attached.

Very soon after commencing you A Level studies we will be asking you about your post-Plymstock plans and from experience we know that those students with a clear goal they can articulate will benefit from having something to aim for. You need not be specific, and I fully appreciate that you may not know the answer, but 'University' or 'Apprenticeship' is far more helpful than 'I don't know'