

National Unit Specification: general information

| UNIT | Historical Study - Options (Intermediate 1) |
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| NUMBER | D257 10 |
| COURSE | History (Intermediate 1) |

SUMMARY

This is a component unit of Intermediate 1 History. This unit can also be offered as free-standing unit.

This unit seeks to develop knowledge and understanding of a chosen historical topic, along with skills of communication and independent thinking. The topic should be chosen from one of three broad periods of: Scottish and British, or European, or World History. The three period options are: Medieval, Early Modern and Later Modern History.

A successful candidate will be able to explain historical developments and events using presented sources of information and a limited range of recalled knowledge, and to evaluate historical evidence as presented in given sources.

This unit has been designed to meet the needs of:

- candidates undertaking an Intermediate 1 course in History
- candidates undertaking a course for personal interest
- candidates, for example adult returners, coming to history with little immediate experience of the subject area
- candidates undertaking a Scottish Group Award at Intermediate 1

OUTCOMES

- 1 Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of historical developments and events.
- 2 Explain historical developments and events.
- 3 Evaluate historical sources.

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RECOMMENDED ENTRY

While entry is at the discretion of the centre, candidates would normally be expected to have attained one of the following:

- a grade 5 or 6 at Standard Grade in History or another Social Subject
- a coherent group of units at Access 3 in Social Subjects
- equivalent qualifications

CREDIT VALUE

1 credit at Intermediate 1.

CORE SKILLS

There is no automatic certification of core skills or core skills components in this unit.

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Acceptable performance in this unit will be the satisfactory achievement of the standards set out in this part of the unit specification. All sections of the statement of standards are mandatory and cannot be altered without reference to the Scottish Qualifications Authority.

NOTES ON RANGE FOR THIS UNIT

There are no specific requirements as to the range of contexts within which the outcomes and performance criteria should be demonstrated. Differentiation between Intermediate 1 and Intermediate 2 is achieved through the amount and level of detail required. For further guidance on the range of content to be covered, see the support notes. The level of difficulty of a unit is defined not just by the performance criteria but by their application in the context of a particular area of content and a particular set of themes.

OUTCOME 1

Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of historical developments and events.

Performance criteria

- (a) The knowledge selected from recall and presented sources is relevant to the developments or events addressed.
- (b) The knowledge selected from recall and presented sources demonstrates accurate understanding of the topic and its themes.

OUTCOME 2

Explain historical developments and events.

Performance criteria

- (a) The explanation is supported by accurate information selected from recall and presented sources.
- (b) The explanation is supported by relevant information selected from recall and presented sources.

OUTCOME 3

Evaluate historical sources.

Performance criteria

- (a) The evaluation of the sources takes account of their origin or purpose.
- (b) The evaluation of the sources demonstrates understanding of their content.

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Evidence requirements

Unless candidates have special needs, evidence of attainment for the above outcomes can be provided through responses to short-answer questions based on recall and sources. This evidence must satisfy all of the above outcomes in relation to the chosen historical context. Within each outcome, the evidence must demonstrate or imply satisfaction of all of the performance criteria. The candidate's work must be completed under supervision, without collaboration, the assistance of notes or teacher/lecturer advice.

The evidence should relate to the context chosen for study in this unit. Candidates should select **one** context from **either** Historical Study: Scottish and British **or** Historical Study: European and World.

Historical Study: Scottish and British

- 1 Murder in the Cathedral: Crown, Church and People 1154 73
- 2 Wallace, Bruce and the Wars of Independence 1286 1328
- 3 Mary Queen of Scots and the Scottish Reformation 1540s 87
- 4 'Ane End of Ane Auld Sang': Scotland and the Treaty of Union 1690s 1715
- 5 Immigrants and Exiles: Scotland 1830s 1930s
- 6 From the Cradle to the Grave? Social Welfare in Britain 1890s 1951
- 7 Campaigning for Change: Social Change in Scotland 1900s 79
- 8 A Time of Troubles: Ireland 1900 23

Historical Study: European and World

- 1 The Norman Conquest 1060 1153
- 2 The Cross and the Crescent: The First Crusade 1096 1125
- 3 War, Death and Revolt in Medieval Europe 1328 1436
- 4 New Worlds: Europe in the Age of Expansion 1480s 1530s
- 5 Tea and Freedom: The American Revolution 1763 83
- 6 'This Accursed Trade': The British Slave Trade and its Abolition 1770 1807
- 7 Citizens! The French Revolution 1789 94
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For details of the content, please refer to the full syllabus in the course descriptor, where the sections above are indicated as forming the content/context of this unit. The course descriptor also lays out the relationship between this and the content of the rest of the Intermediate 1 History course.

Evidence provided will sample the chosen content area. Outcomes and performance criteria must be fulfilled with reference to this sample.

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This part of the unit specification is offered as guidance. The support notes are not mandatory.

While the time allocated to this unit is at the discretion of the centre, the notional design length is 40 hours.

GUIDANCE ON APPROACHES TO ASSESSMENT FOR THIS UNIT

The choice of content for each topic within this unit is based upon a series of historical themes. These are specific to the topic studied, for example, belief, community, conflict, power. These themes assist teachers in selecting content and in assessment. Understanding of these themes may be demonstrated without explicit reference to them. A full list of themes is contained within the support notes.

Candidates will be required to study one of the following specified contexts. Through these contexts important themes of Scottish and British History and European and World History may be studied across the breadth of historical periods, Medieval, Early Modern and Later Modern History. Each context constitutes an important area of historical study in its own right as well as providing a progression to further study.

Candidates should select **one** context from the following list:

Historical Study: Scottish and British

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The content for each topic is detailed below.

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Detailed syllabus: Scottish and British History

1. Murder in the Cathedral: Crown, Church and People 1154 - 73

A study of the circumstances surrounding the conflict between Henry II and Thomas Becket and the interrelationship of Crown, Church and People in medieval society, illustrating the themes of authority, belief and conflict.

The King and the People: Henry II and the consolidation of royal power; the extent of his Empire; the feudal relationship between king, barons and knights; the importance of barons and knights to the king with reference to war, horses, fighting skills, weapons and castles; legal reforms introduced by Henry to keep barons in check.

The Archbishop and the People: the place and importance of the Church in the lives of ordinary people; belief in life after death, heaven and hell, purgatory; the monastic ideal and the role of the regular clergy; saints, relics and pilgrimage.

The King and the Archbishop: the place of the Church in the feudal system; the quarrel between Henry and Becket; contrasting views of the relationship between Church and State; the circumstances surrounding the exile of Becket and his behaviour in exile; the coronation of the young King and the return of Becket; the role of personalities in the conflict; Becket's murder by Henry's knights; Becket the martyr, the saint; his relics and the pilgrimage to Canterbury.

2. Wallace, Bruce and the Wars of Independence 1286 - 1328

A study of the development of national identity and consciousness through the Anglo-Scottish wars of the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, illustrating the themes of authority, conflict and identity.

Scotland 1286-96: the succession problem following the death of Alexander III; the Scottish response - Treaty of Birgham; the death of the Maid of Norway; the Scottish appeal to Edward I - the decision at Norham; Bruce versus Balliol, the Great Cause and Edward's choice; Edward as overlord of Scotland; the Scottish response; the Anglo-French war and the Franco-Scottish Treaty; the subjugation of Scotland.

William Wallace: the reasons for and the progress of his rebellion; his victory at Stirling and its effects on Scots and on Scotland; the battle of Falkirk and the reasons for its failure.

Robert Bruce: the ambitions of the Bruces; Bruce the patriot; his conflict with and victory over Scottish opponents; his victory over the English; reasons for his success; Declaration of Arbroath - the triumph of the nation state in 1328.

3. Mary Queen of Scots and the Scottish Reformation 1540s - 87

A study of religious and political change and conflict in sixteenth -century Scotland, illustrating the themes of Crown, Church and Authority.

Scottish society and Church in the 1540s: landowners, burghs, clergy; power of the monarchy and nobility at the death of James V. The Church's faith, organisation, failure of attempts at reform.

Relationship with England and France: the 'rough wooing'; Mary's move to France. Her dynastic position on the accession of Elizabeth I.

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The growth of Protestantism in Scotland: Wishart and Knox and Calvinism. The Lords of the Congregation. Rebellion against Mary of Guise; English intervention. The Treaty of Edinburgh. Reasons for the Catholic persecution.

Mary Queen of Scots in Scotland: return from France; personality, circumstances, policy. Relations with Elizabeth I. Relations with Moray and the Scots nobles. Marriage; murder of Riccio and of Darnley. Rebellion against Mary; her capture, abdication, imprisonment, escape and exile.

The confirmation of the Reformation in Scotland: Regencies of Moray and Morton; the young James VI; Andrew Melville and the development of Presbyterianism in the 1570s.

Mary in England: Elizabeth I's diplomatic circumstances; Mary's involvement in Catholic plots; her execution.

4. 'Ane End of Ane Auld Sang': Scotland and the Treaty of Union 1690s - 1715

A study of the reasons for the Treaty of Union between the Scottish and English Parliaments in 1707, the debates over the passing of the Treaty, its terms and immediate impact on Scotland, illustrating the themes of identity, authority and conflict.

The relationship of Scotland and England after 1689: Crown, Church, Parliament, political management.

Causes of tension between Scotland and England: economy, religion, the succession. The Darien Scheme and the Worcester incident; the Act of Security and the Aliens Act. The appointment of Commissioners.

The debate about Scottish identity: reasons for support of the Union; reasons for opposition to the Union. Attitude of Scots to the Union: burghs, clergy, landowners.

The passing of the Treaty: parties and personalities in the Scottish Parliament: Queensberry, Hamilton, Fletcher. Unrest in Edinburgh and elsewhere. The question of corruption.

Impact of the Union: the terms of the Treaty; institutions which were absorbed; institutions which remained distinctive. Reaction of Scots to the Union up to 1715. The causes of the Jacobite rebellion of 1715.

5. Immigrants and Exiles: Scotland 1830s - 1930s

A study of the causes and results of the movement of population into and away from Scotland during the period 1830s - 1930s, focusing on issues of identity and community and on the experiences of migrants in their new countries or communities.

Irish migration to Scotland: reasons for immigration - Irish famine, opportunities for work in Scotland; areas of Irish settlement; the experiences of the migrants - living conditions, employment.

Scots and Irish: religious and cultural forces binding the Irish community in Scotland; relations between immigrants and Scots - myth and reality.

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Reasons for emigration: poverty; the Highland Clearances; missionary work; effectiveness of emigration societies and government schemes; the attraction of new lands - economic opportunity and cheap land.

The Scot abroad: areas to which Scots migrated - England, North America, Australasia; the role of the Scots migrants in the 'New World' - agriculture, manufacturing, engineering and mining; the contribution of individual Scots to their new countries - eg Andrew Carnegie, John Muir, Andrew Fisher.

6. From the Cradle to the Grave? Social Welfare in Britain 1890s - 1951

A study of the changing role of central government in tackling the problem of poverty, considering the themes of ideas and rights and the development of new relationships between the people of Britain and their government.

The problem of poverty at the turn of the century: belief in self help; the voluntary system; the surveys of Booth and Rowntree; changing attitudes towards poverty and its causes.

The Liberal reforms 1906 - 14: groups at risk - the young, the old, the sick, the unemployed; reforms to help these groups - the 'Children's Charter', old age pensions, health and unemployment insurance, labour exchanges; assessment of the success of the reforms.

The Labour government 1945 - 51: effects of wartime experiences on attitudes to poverty, especially the impact of bombing, rationing and evacuation; the 'Five Giants'; National Insurance and National Assistance; the National Health Service; housing reform; the idea of a Welfare State; assessment of the government's achievement.

7. Campaigning for Change: Social Change in Scotland 1900s - 79

A study of social change in Scotland, considering the themes of rights, economy and community.

The changing role of women: the status of women in 1900; campaigns for women's suffrage; public and government response to WSPU militancy; impact of the First World War on the campaign and the status of women; votes for women; attitudes to women's social and domestic role in the interwar years.

Changing patterns of employment: the effects of the First World War on industry - the decline of the 'old' and the growth of the 'new' industries; Red Clydeside, post-war disillusionment and mass unemployment; the Second World War and the impact of conscription and the changing role of women in the workplace; the continued decline of the heavy industries; North Sea Oil; assessment of the effects of changing employment patterns.

Changes in the Scottish way of life: education from 1920s - 1940s; changes in Scottish popular culture to 1939 – growth of entertainment to 1939, the music hall, cinema and radio; leisure activities and their impact on the community; assessment of the changing influences affecting the ideas and attitudes of the Scottish people.

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8. A Time of Troubles: Ireland 1900 - 23

A study of the attempts to resolve the issue of Irish political identity during the period 1900 - 23, considering the themes of ideas, conflict and power.

The issue of Ulster 1912 - 14: Irish Nationalist demands for Home Rule; the Home Rule Bill of 1912; the Unionist response - Sir Edward Carson and the Ulster Volunteers, the 'Curragh Mutiny'; the Nationalist responses - John Redmond, Sinn Fein.

The Easter Rising of 1916: the effect of the First World War on the Home Rule issue; the causes and events of the Rising; effects of the Rising on Anglo-Irish relations and on the Nationalist Movement.

The Anglo-Irish War 1919 - 21; the Treaty of 1921; divisions in the Republican Movement; the Civil War of 1922 - 23; long term results of the partition of Ireland.

Detailed syllabus: European and World History

1. The Norman Conquest 1060 - 1153

A study of conquest, aggressive and peaceful, and the changes resulting from it, by examining the Normans' military conquest of England in the eleventh century and the peaceful settlement of Scotland in the twelfth century; the themes illustrated are conflict, conquest and power.

William's Viking ancestry and the circumstances surrounding the settlement in Normandy.

William's claim to the English throne: the reasons for his success - ships, knights, arms and tactics; consolidation of power in the short term; military strength and ruthlessness in putting down rebellion, including the harrying of the North; consolidation of power in the long term: the feudal system, the reasons for the fief and its importance; the place of the castle in the maintenance of law and order.

David I's place in the Scottish royal house and in Anglo-Scottish society; his succession in Scotland; the accompanying settlement of Scotland by Anglo-Normans; the Bruce lords of Annandale, their fief and their importance; David I's introduction of Anglo-Norman ideas in law, order and government, towns and burghs; the expansion of monasticism.

2. The Cross and the Crescent: The First Crusade 1096 - 1125

A study of aspects of religious warfare in the Middle Ages as seen in the events of the First Crusade; the themes illustrated are belief, conflict and conquest.

The meaning of Holy War, the reasons for the calling of the First Crusade; the religious, military and economic reasons for taking the cross; the leaders and their motives.

Disputes and rivalries between Latins and Greeks; Peter the Hermit and the People's Crusade; the Princes' Crusade and Alexius' fears; the taking of the oaths.

Disputes and rivalries between crusaders, especially Bohemond and Raymond; the events surrounding Edessa, Antioch and Ma'aara to illustrate Christian strengths and weaknesses.

Muslim divisions as a factor contributing to Christian success; Sunni and Shi'ite petty rivalry, openness to bribery as at Antioch and Jerusalem.

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The capture of Jerusalem and the massacre of the inhabitants; the securing of the Latin Kingdom through kingship and feudalism, castle building, the military orders and the Italian city-states; the reasons for Christian success.

3. War, Death and Revolt in Medieval Europe 1328 - 1436

A study of the impact of war on society by examining the political, social and economic consequences of the Hundred Years' War between England and France and illustrating the themes of conflict, identity and revolt.

The succession problem in France in 1328 and the English claim to the throne; Edward III, the Black Prince and the reasons for going to war; Crécy, Poitiers and the reasons for English success; Treaty of Brétigny.

Socio-economic impact of war in England and France; reasons for discontent, the Peasants' Revolt, the Jacquerie; the contribution of natural disaster [the Black Death] to socio-economic upheaval.

Henry V and the renewal of the war; Agincourt and the Treaty of Troyes; the political weakness of France; the madness of Charles VI; Orleans versus Burgundy; Joan of Arc, her cause and martyrdom; the reawakening of French national pride; French triumph, English defeat and the immediate effect on both countries.

4. New Worlds: Europe in the Age of Expansion 1480s - 1530s

A study of Europe's expanding trade with the East, and European influences on the New World illustrating the themes of authority, belief and innovation.

Reasons for European expansion: the growing strength of European monarchies; economic pressures - population, urbanisation; scientific inventions - developments in navigation and shipbuilding; the lure of the East; missionary zeal.

The expansion of Europe: Portuguese exploration: Africa, India, the East Indies; Columbus and voyages to America, Magellan and the circumnavigation of the world.

The impact of European exploration on indigenous peoples: the Spanish conquest of Mexico 1519-20 or Peru 1530 - 31; exploration of North America up to 1540.

5. Tea and Freedom: The American Revolution 1763 - 83

A study of British control of the North American colonies, challenges to it and the reasons for its eventual breakdown, illustrating the themes of authority, rights and revolution.

The authority of King and Parliament in the colonies; the tensions created by the defeat of France in 1763; new ways of raising revenue: Stamp Act, Declaratory Act, Townshend Duties, tea duties.

Colonial resistance: arguments and organisation. Confrontation: non-importation agreements, Boston Massacre; Gaspee incident; Boston Tea Party.

The outbreak of war: the escalation of conflict; Lexington, Concord, Bunker Hill, Ticonderoga. Colonial loyalists, such as Flora Macdonald, and British sympathisers with America, such as Burke and Tom Paine.

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How the colonies grew closer, militarily and politically. Washington; Continental Congresses; the Declaration of Independence.

Turning points in the war: Saratoga, French intervention, Yorktown. Reasons why Canada remained British. Reasons for American victory and British defeat.

6. 'This Accursed Trade': The British Slave Trade and its Abolition 1770 - 1807

A study of the nature of the British Atlantic slave trade in the late eighteenth century, changing attitudes towards it in Britain and the pressures that led to its abolition, illustrating the themes of rights, exploitation and culture.

The organisation and nature of the slave trade: its effects on British ports, eg Liverpool, Bristol; its effects on African societies, eg Ashanti, and on West Indian plantations. Slave 'factories' on the African coast; the economics and conditions of the 'Middle Passage'.

Origins of the abolitionist movement and its increased support outside and within Parliament. Role of Wilberforce. Arguments of the abolitionists: Christian, humanitarian, economic. Decision to concentrate on the slave trade.

Methods of the abolitionists: meetings, evidence, eg Clarkson; first hand accounts by slavers, eg Newton; publicity, eg Wedgwood. Attitudes and evidence of slaves and former slaves, eg Equiano. Resistance to the trade by slaves.

Defenders of the trade: planters, MPs, cities; effect of the French Revolution; reasons for the delay in the abolition of the trade.

The debate over reasons for the eventual success of the abolition campaign: public opinion, Parliamentary debate, economic circumstances.

7. Citizens! The French Revolution 1789 - 94

A study of the collapse of the Ancien Régime in France and the growing extremism of the postrevolutionary governments, illustrating the themes of authority, rights and revolution.

The Ancien Régime on the eve of the revolution: social classes; new ideas; government difficulties; popular grievances.

The Revolution of 1789 - 91: the States-General; claims of the Third Estate; the National Assembly and the Tennis Court Oath; the fall of the Bastille; revolution in the country; the march on Versailles; the Declaration of the Rights of Man; the new government of France.

The end of the monarchy: grievances of peasants and sans-culottes; the flight to Varennes; war with Europe; overthrow of the monarchy; victory at Valmy; the National Convention; the execution of Louis XVI.

The struggle for power: inflation and popular unrest; the Paris Commune; Committees of Public Safety and General Security; strengthening of central government; the Terror; purges of left and right; the guillotine; fall of Robespierre in Thermidor.

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8. The Red Flag: Lenin and the Russian Revolution 1894 - 1921

A study of the collapse of imperial rule in Russia and the establishment of Communist government, illustrating themes of ideas, conflict and power.

Imperial Russia 1894 - 1917: the Tsarist government; the role of the Russian Church; class divisions in Russia; reasons for the backwardness of Russian agriculture and industry; grievances of the peasantry and the industrial workers; the Russification of National Minorities.

Challenges to the Tsar's power: challenges from revolutionary groups; the 1905 Revolution; political changes since 1905 - the Dumas and Stolypin's reforms.

Russia and the First World War: effects of military defeat and economic hardship; Rasputin and the growing unpopularity of the regime; the February Revolution of 1917; reasons for the failure of the Provisional Government under Kerensky.

The Bolshevik seizure of power: Lenin's return and the April Theses; reasons for the success of the October Revolution; the Civil War 1917 - 21; explanation of Bolshevik victory; nature of the Soviet state.

9. Free at Last? Race Relations in the USA 1918 - 68

A study of the development of race relations in the USA during the years 1918 - 68, illustrating themes of ideas, identity and power.

The USA at the end of the First World War: the social, political and economic status of different ethnic groups in the USA; the 'Jim Crow' laws; changing attitudes towards immigrants during the 1920s; the attitudes and activities of the Ku Klux Klan.

Growing demand for civil rights after 1945: reasons for this growth; peaceful and violent activities of civil rights and black radical protest movements during the 1950s and 1960s - the roles of Martin Luther King, Stokely Carmichael and Malcolm X; response of state and federal authorities to these campaigns; assessment of the impact of the campaigns on US society.

10. The Road to War 1933 - 39

A study of Nazi foreign policy 1933 - 39 and the steps leading to the outbreak of war, illustrating themes of ideology, aggression, appeasement and power.

The ideas of Nazism: racism and the claim of Aryan supremacy, anger over Versailles, Living Space (Lebensraum).

Foreign policy in practice: rearmament, reoccupation of the Rhineland, the Anschluss, the crisis in Czechoslovakia and the Munich agreement; the Polish crisis and the declaration of war.

Great Power responses to German actions: the policy of appeasement and reasons for its adoption horror of war, fear of aerial warfare, belief in persuasion, lack of military preparation, distrust between former allies; attempts to deal with German demands, especially over Czechoslovakia; decision to resist further aggression.

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Assessment of the responsibility for the war and of the effectiveness of the policy of appeasement.

11. In the Shadow of the Bomb: The Cold War 1945 - 85

A study of relationships between East and West, examining reasons for tension and attempts to resolve areas of conflict, focusing on themes of ideas, confrontation and power.

NATO and the Warsaw Pact: political beliefs, military rivalry and mutual suspicion; effects of the development of nuclear weapons on relationships.

Areas of superpower rivalry 1960 - 1970: Berlin - reasons for importance, building of the Berlin Wall, impact on international relations; Cuba - origins and events of the crisis, impact on international relations; Vietnam - reasons for United States involvement and for failure to defeat the Vietcong; changing views on the war in the United States; impact on international relations.

Attempts at détente: reasons for changing attitudes between the USA and the USSR; SALT and other agreements.

GUIDANCE ON TEACHING AND LEARNING APPROACHES FOR THIS UNIT

While undertaking this unit candidates should be provided with the opportunity to:

- interpret and evaluate historical source material
- record information from a variety of sources, such as books, notes, lectures, audio-visual materials
- take part in formal discussion to develop the ability to think independently and make informed judgements
- develop the skills of producing written or oral responses for a variety of purposes

It is important that candidates should be familiar with the historical themes that run through the chosen topic and not simply learn about a series of discrete historical issues.

Teaching methodology

The methodology used by teachers/lecturers will be built on existing good practice. The knowledge and understanding of the themes and content delivered in this unit should be linked to the development of skills of interpretation and analysis to provide insight and encourage respect for available evidence.

Teacher/lecturer exposition will provide a basis for class work in this unit. Opportunities should be provided to develop candidates' abilities to take notes. Departments should allow time for class and group discussion. A variety of resources should be used including textbooks, information sheets and access to primary source materials. Materials and strategies should be designed to provide for the whole ability range - core/extension, groupwork, individual work. Advice from the Learning Support Department should be drawn upon in designing appropriately differentiated course materials.

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GUIDANCE ON APPROACHES TO ASSESSMENT FOR THIS UNIT

The National Assessment Bank will provide exemplar assessment instruments and guidance on implementation. This does not preclude teachers/lecturers from devising their own assessment items. Assessment can be administered at appropriate points throughout the unit or at the end of the unit. Tasks could be used which relate primarily to each outcome. An alternative approach is to use more extended tasks which allow candidates to demonstrate achievement in more than one outcome. It would be necessary to ensure that all learning outcomes and performance criteria were covered in this instrument of assessment. It would be possible to use similar instruments of assessment to those used in the external assessment.

The instrument of assessment for this unit can be in the form of short answers based on recall and/or sources. This assessment should be administered under supervision, without collaboration or the assistance of notes or teacher/lecturer.

Where a candidate has failed to achieve one or more of the outcomes, a reassessment may be undertaken after appropriate remediation. It is only necessary to reassess competence in the outcomes or performance criteria which the candidate has failed to achieve. In this unit, this may involve revisiting some or all of the candidate's responses under similar conditions to the first attempt. If the candidate remains unsuccessful in all or part of the unit, different tasks should be used for a subsequent reassessment.

Where accessible tasks can be set which will allow candidates to demonstrate competence beyond the minimum standard required, evidence gathered for internal unit assessment may also be used for grade prediction and for appeals for external course assessment. (For details of the grade descriptions for the external assessment, please refer to the course specification.)

The evidence can be gathered towards or at the end of the unit and should fulfil the requirements set out in the statement of standards.

Qualifications to which this unit contributes

This unit is one of three mandatory units which together make up the course in Intermediate 1 History. The other two units are *Historical Study - Scottish and British (Int 1)* and *Historical Study - European and World (Int 1)*. Both have the same outcomes as this unit. In order to achieve certification in this course, candidates have to attain the outcomes for all three units which are internally assessed and to attain at least a C in the external assessment.

This unit could also be undertaken as a component of a Scottish Group Award.

CANDIDATES WITH DISABILITIES AND/OR ADDITIONAL SUPPORT NEEDS

The additional support needs of individual candidates should be taken into account when planning learning experiences, selecting assessment instruments, or considering alternative Outcomes for Units. Further advice can be found in the SQA document *Guidance on Assessment Arrangements for Candidates with Disabilities and/or Additional Support Needs* www.sqa.org.uk