

**Overview**

This year continues to build on the foundation we lay in Year 7. We focus on the development of the empire, the state and society, in Britain and in the wider world. You will find out more about the Aztecs in South America and the Mughals in India.

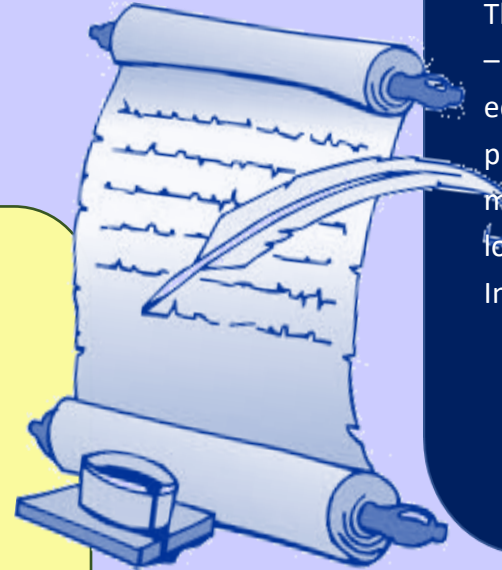
Term 1

We start by looking the concept of empires – what impact did the Spanish have on the Aztecs, as well as the legacy of the British Empire. We also look at the development, impact and abolition of the trans-Atlantic slave trade.

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**Term 3**

This term we look at the rights of the people and the growth of democracy. How did ordinary people gain the right to vote? We look at the French Revolution, the Chartists and the Suffragettes.

**Term 2**

This term we focus on industrial Britain – how the Industrial Revolution impacted on Britain, its economy and its people. Again, we look at the changes it made, and you will analyse sources to look at how diverse life was during the Industrial Revolution.