



**KING EDWARD VI  
CAMP HILL  
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A Level Supercurricular

# History

## Reading

Alongside your textbooks there are a multitude of books to support your journey through the past...

### General Histories

E.H. Gombrich – A Little History of the World  
Yuval Noah Hariri – Sapiens  
Jared Diamond – Guns, Germs and Steel  
Peter Frankopan – The Silk Roads  
Oxford History of England Series  
Andrew Marr – History of Modern Britain  
History of Britain (3 Volumes) Simon Schama  
Europe: A History – Norman Davies  
The Isles – Norman Davies  
Vanished Kingdoms – Norman Davies  
Dark Valley – Piers Brendon

### Russia

A People's Tragedy – Orlando Figes  
The Great Terror – Robert Conquest  
Harvest of Sorrow – Robert Conquest  
Russia: A History – Robert Service  
Lenin – Robert Service  
Stalin – Robert Service  
The Romanovs – Simon Sebag Montefiore  
Young Stalin – Simon Sebag Montefiore  
Stalin: In the Court of the Red Tsar – Simon Sebag Montefiore  
Ten Days that Shook the World – John Reed  
Stalingrad – Antony Beevor  
The Shortest History of the Soviet Union – Sheila Fitzpatrick

### Angevin Kings

The Norman Conquest – Marc Morris  
England under the Norman and Angevin Kings – Robert Bartlett  
The Medieval World Complete – Robert Bartlett  
Montaillou – Emmanuel Le Roy Ladurie  
The Greatest Knight – Thomas Asbridge  
Strange Landscape – Christopher Frayling  
Powers and Thrones: A New History of the Middle Ages – Dan Jones  
Henry II – E.L. Warren  
Thomas Becket – John Guy  
Richard I – John Gillingham

King John – Maurice Ashley  
King John – Marc Morris  
Penguin Monarchs Series – Henry II (Barber)  
Penguin Monarchs Series – Richard I (Asbridge)  
Penguin Monarchs Series – John (Vincent)  
1215 – Dan Jones  
Magna Carta: A very short introduction – Nicholas Vincent

## Watching

### General Histories

BBC iPlayer – category History  
Civilisations - BBC  
Timewatch – BBC  
Story of England – Michael Wood  
History of Britain – Simon Schama

### Angevin England

The Devil's Brood – A History of the Plantagenets – BBC Robert Bartlett  
Inside the Medieval Mind – BBC Robert Bartlett  
Medieval Lives – Terry Jones – BBC  
Britain's Bloodiest Dynasty – Dan Jones  
Lion in Winter – Film  
Becket – Film  
Robin Hood – Russell Crowe version is best

### Russia

Art of Russia – Andrew Graham Dixon BBC  
Empire of the Tsars – Lucy Worsley BBC  
Russia 1917 – Countdown to Revolution BBC  
Reds – film  
Death of Stalin – film  
Battleship Potemkin - film  
October - film

## Listening and online

### General Histories

The Rest is History – Tom Holland and Dominic Sandbrook – Podcast

In Our Time: History – Melvyn Bragg – BBC  
History Today Archive  
Historical Association - Podcasts  
Russia: The Wild East and Rise and Fall of the Soviets – Martin Sixsmith  
A History of the World in One Hundred Objects – BBC and British Museum  
You're Dead to Me – BBC  
Empire of Liberty: A History of the USA – BBC  
This Sceptred Isle - BBC

## Visiting

### General Histories

Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery – Reopening April 2022  
Palace of Westminster – London  
British Museum – London where the world goes to see its national treasures  
Imperial War Museum – London, Manchester, Duxford  
Cold War Exhibition – RAF Cosford

### The Angevin Kings

Tower of London  
Canterbury Cathedral  
Dover Castle (EH), Kent  
Worcester Cathedral – Burial Place of King John  
Rouen, Le Mans, Angers, Tours, Poitiers – French Angevin Capitals  
Chinon – Loire Valley France  
Chateau Gaillard – Norman Vexin, France  
Musee de Cluny – Paris

### Russia

Winter Palace – St Petersburg  
Hermitage Museum – St Petersburg and Somerset House, London  
Red Square - Moscow