

History preparatory reading to support Year 12 study September 2017

Year 12 History involves studying Russia and Britain. The Britain course is worth 30% of the A Level so this will be the focus of your summer reading.

Paper 1 Britain 1625-1701 – 2 exam questions using subject knowledge and 1 exam question using historical interpretations (30% of the A Level)

- The quest for political stability, 1625–88
 - Religion: conflict and dissent, 1625–88
 - Social and intellectual challenge, 1625–88
 - Economy, trade and empire, 1625–88
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- How revolutionary, in the years to 1701, was the Glorious Revolution of 1688–89?



The reading is a chapter from Peter Ackroyd , *The History of England Volume III: Civil War* (Macmillan, 2014)

As you are reading you should highlight the text where information about the following themes appears:

- Charles' personality
- The religious situation in the early seventeenth century
- The relationship between Britain and other countries in the early seventeenth century
- Potential and actual problems faced by the monarch and the royals in the early seventeenth century

You will not need to highlight every line of the text, simply where the themes above appear, to help direct and focus your reading.