

# Year 7 History Learning Outcomes

## Unit 1: The Romans

- The foundation of Rome.
- How Rome grew into a great empire, based on military might.
- Britain before the Romans.
- The Roman invasions of 55 and 54 BC.
- The Claudian invasion of 43AD.
- The rise and fall of Boudicca, analysing the reasons for rebellion and why it failed.
- Life in Roman Britain and the benefits and difficulties of being under Roman rule.
- The role of the army in keeping law and order.
- Roman roads.
- Roman sanitation, hygiene, and heating measures.
- Roman religion.
- Hadrian's Wall.
- Why the Roman Empire collapsed.

## Unit 2: The Middle Ages

Before, during and after the Norman invasion in 1066, including:

- Anglo Saxon life before the Normans.
- The situation in England in 1066 and the rival candidates for the throne.
- The events of 1066 and the causes of William's victory.
- The consolidation of Norman rule and the Normans' impact on England.

The development of castles and examine the evolution of castle design, including:

- Methods of attacking a castle.
- Methods of defending a castle.
- Case study of a specific castle.

Events and personalities from the Plantagenet period, including:

- Plantagenet monarchs of medieval England and their impact, particularly Henry II, King John, the Three Edwards, and Henry V.
- Key events, such as the killing of Thomas Becket, and the Peasants' Revolt.

The first English Civil War (The Wars of the Roses), including:

- The reign of Henry VI.
- The causes of the Cousins War.
- The conflict, the victory of Edward IV and different interpretations of Richard III.

## Unit 3: The Tudors

- The accession of Henry VII.
- The marriages and Reformation of Henry VIII will be analysed.
- The religious policies of Edward and Mary will be examined.
- The problems faced by Elizabeth.
- The causes and progress of the Spanish Armada.
- The Elizabethan golden age and the theatre of “Shake-speare”.