Leaving Cert History: Mock Exam Revision Guide

Theme	Required study	Must study	Should study	Could study
Politics and administration	Lyndon Johnson and Vietnam, 1963-68	 US foreign policy, 1945-72: Berlin, Korea, Cuba, Vietnam 	 The Presidency from Roosevelt to Reagan Domestic factors in US foreign policy 	 US political structure Decline of Cold War certainties SALT Star Wars Key personalities
Society and economy	The Montgomery Bus Boycott, 1956	Racial conflict	 Sources of the US economic boom US economy Economic decline 	 Urban poverty Drugs and crime Consumerism Key personalities
Culture, religion, and science	The Moon Landing, 1969	 Advances in military, space, and information technology 	 Hollywood, the American Dream 	 Religion in modern American culture Key personalities

The United States and the World, 1945-89

The Pursuit of Sovereignty and the Impact of Partition, 1912-49

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Politics and administration	The Treaty Negotiations, October- December 1921	 Free State to Republic (CnaG, FF, FG in power) Anglo-Irish relations, 1923-49 	 The Third HR Bill, 1912-14 Impact of WWI 1916 Rising Rise of Sinn Féin, 1918 election War of Independence Partition Civil War 	 NI – Unionist Party in power Key personalities
Society and economy	Belfast during WWII	 Economic and social problems faced by NI Social and economic problems, 1923-45 	 Impact of WWII, North and South 	Key personalities
Culture, religion, and science	The Eucharistic Congress, 1932	 Promotion of cultural identity; language, religion and education 	State and culture in NI	Key personalities

Politics and Society in Northern Ireland, 1949-1993

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Politics and	The Sunningdale	Fall of Stormont, direct	Brookeborough to O'Neill	• The Republic –
administration	Agreement and Power-	rule, republicanism,	Civil Rights Movement	responses to the
	Sharing Executive,	loyalism, the Anglo-Irish	Provisional IRA	Troubles
	1973-4	Agreement 1985		Key personalities
Society and economy	The Coleraine	• Welfare State: education,	Social and economic	Impact of the
	University Controversy	health, and housing	developments prior to 1969	Troubles –
				economy, society
				Key personalities
Culture, religion, and	The Apprentice Boys of	Cultural responses to the	Cultural identity	Ecumenism
science	Derry	Troubles		Key personalities

(NOTE: this was the DBQ question for 2023, it was NOT an essay option for that year)

Dictatorship and Democracy in Europe, 1920-45 (NOTE: this is the DBQ question for 2024 and 2025, it is NOT an essay option for those years)

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Politics and administration	Stalin's Show Trials	 Communism in Russia – Lenin and Stalin 	Fascist ItalyNazi Germany	 France – Third Republic and Vichy Wartime alliances Key personalities
Society and economy	The Jarrow March, 1936	 Economic and social problems of the interwar years – Brit and Germany 	 Home Front Rationing Evacuees 	 Resistance Collaboration Anti-Semitism and the Holocaust Key personalities
Culture, religion, and science	The Nuremberg Rallies	 Nazi propaganda 	Church-state relations	 Anglo-American pop culture Technology of warfare Key personalities