

## ABC Links to literacy

We develop historical literacy through reading historical interpretations and sources aloud, and constructing arguments through extended writing tasks. We discuss key concepts with our peers to help embed key terms

### AUTUMN - 2

Topic name: **USA conflict at home**  
Why study this topic?

Life was incredibly difficult for black Americans during the 'Jim Crow' era. You will explore the issues around discrimination and segregation as well as police brutality. You will be able to make comparisons to recent events such as the killing of George Floyd by a police officer.

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### SPRING - 2

Topic name: **USA conflict abroad**  
Why study this topic?

The Vietnam War was becoming increasingly unpopular with the American people. The War was costing millions of dollars, no real progress was being made as the Vietcong were proving impossible to defeat, and ultimately bad publicity led to dissatisfaction with the war. The USA needed to desperately get out of a war which was becoming unwinnable. But how could they do this without being humiliated?

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### SUMMER - 2

Topic name: **Superpower relations and the Cold War**  
Why study this topic?

As tension built up between the superpowers, nuclear war was very much a possibility. This almost certainly meant that the world would come to an end. How were both superpowers able to prevent the destruction of the world? You will also explore how the Cold War came to an end with the collapse of the Soviet empire.

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### AUTUMN - 1

Topic name: **USA conflict at home**  
Why study this topic?

In Today's society there are laws in place to try prevent racism and racial discrimination. However, we know that this doesn't stop people from having racist views. You will study a period where such laws didn't exist and black Americans had to live in a society where they were regarded as second class citizens.

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### SPRING - 1

Topic name: **USA conflict abroad**  
Why study this topic?

The Vietnam War was the first televised war. American families could turn on their TV, sit around the dinner table and watch the brutal nature on war from the comfort of their living rooms. You will be able to explain the causes of the Vietnam War by exploring views on ideology (capitalism vs communism), the domino theory and foreign policy aims of US Presidents.

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### SUMMER - 1

Topic name: **Superpower relations and the Cold War** – Why study this topic?

The USA and the USSR joined forces during WW2 to defeat Hitler and Nazism. However, this didn't stop them from becoming rivals after the war. Both nations emerged as the most powerful countries after WW2, but both had very different beliefs in the way people should live their lives. The USA was governed by capitalist ideology and USSR by communist.

## Subject Intent statement

We will nurture a passion for history where students explore diverse stories to develop an understanding of the world around them to make them better leaders. Students will develop resilience as they excel through constructive challenge. Students will understand causation, recognise change and evaluate significance on their journey to becoming aspirational individuals

## 123 Links to Numeracy

In history, we use chronology and statistics to help organise and structure the events we study