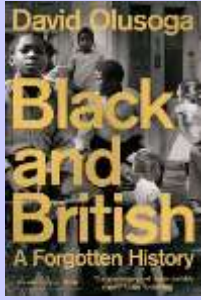


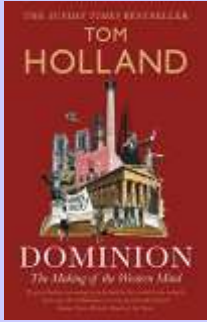
History Extended Reading List

Black and British: a forgotten history by David Olusoga (305.896)



Drawing on new genetic and genealogical research, original records, expert testimony and contemporary interviews, *Black and British* reaches back to Roman Britain, the medieval imagination and Shakespeare's *Othello*. It reveals that behind the South Sea Bubble was Britain's global slave-trading empire and that much of the great industrial boom of the 19th century was built on American slavery. It shows that Black Britons fought at Trafalgar and in the trenches of World War I. Black British history can be read in stately homes, street names, statues and memorials across Britain and is woven into the cultural and economic histories of the nation. Unflinching, confronting taboos and revealing hitherto unknown scandals, this book describes how black and white Britons have been intimately entwined for centuries.

Dominion: The Making of the Western Mind by Tom Holland (270)



Christianity is the most enduring and influential legacy of the ancient world, and its emergence the single most transformative development in Western history. Even the increasing number in the West today who have abandoned the faith of their forebears, and dismiss all religion as pointless superstition, remain recognisably its heirs. Seen close-up, the division between a sceptic and a believer may seem unbridgeable. Widen the focus, though, and Christianity's enduring impact upon the West can be seen in the emergence of much that has traditionally been cast as its nemesis: in science, in secularism, and yes, even in atheism. That is why *Dominion* will place the story of how we came to be what we are, and how we think the way that we do, in the broadest historical context.

A History of the World in 100 Objects by Neil MacGregor (909)



A History of the World in 100 Objects takes a bold, original approach to human history, exploring past civilizations through the objects that defined them. Encompassing a grand sweep of human history, *A History of the World in 100 Objects* begins with one of the earliest surviving objects made by human hands, a chopping tool from the Olduvai gorge in Africa, and ends with objects which characterise the world we live in today.

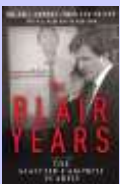
Natives: Race and Class in the Ruins of Empire by Akala (305.8009)



From the first time he was stopped and searched as a child, to the day he realised his mum was white, to his first encounters with racist teachers - race and class have shaped Akala's life and outlook. In this unique book he takes his own experiences and widens them out to look at the social, historical and political factors that have left us where we are today. Covering everything from the police, education and identity to politics, sexual objectification and the far right, *Natives* speaks directly to British denial and squeamishness when it comes to confronting issues of race and class that are at the heart of the legacy of Britain's racialised empire.

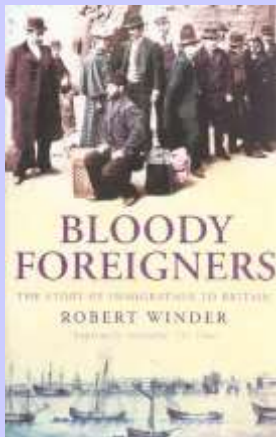
Modern Britain 1951-2007

The Blair Years: Extracts from the Alastair Campbell Diaries (324.2)



The Blair Years is the most compelling and revealing account of contemporary politics you will ever read. Taken from Alastair Campbell's daily diaries, it charts the rise of New Labour and the tumultuous years of Tony Blair's leadership, providing the first important record of a remarkable decade in our national life.

Bloody foreigners : the story of immigration to Britain by Robert Winder (325.41)



Immigration is one of the most important stories of modern British life, yet it has been happening since Caesar first landed in 53 BC. Ever since the first Roman, Saxon, Jute and Dane leaped off a boat we have been a mongrel nation. Our roots are a tangled web. From Huguenot weavers fleeing French Catholic persecution in the 18th century to South African dentists to Indian shopkeepers; from Jews in York in the 12th century (who had to wear a yellow star to distinguish them and who were shamefully expelled by Edward I in 1272) to the Jamaican who came on board the Windrush in 1947. The first Indian MP was elected in 1892, Walter Tull, the first black football player played (for Spurs and Northampton) before WW1 (and died heroically fighting for the allies in the last months of the war); in 1768 there were 20,000 black people in London (out of a population of 600,000 - a similar percentage to today). The 19th century brought huge numbers of Italians, Irish, Jews (from Russia and Poland mainly), Germans and Poles. This book draws all their stories together in a compelling narrative.

Britain 1945-2007 by Michael Lynch (941.086)



This book charts the key changes in the social, political and cultural development of Britain across this period. It looks at key individuals throughout these years, from Churchill and Wilson to Thatcher and Blair, assessing each of their periods in office and charting the rise and fall of political consensus. Finally, in assessing the changes that have taken place, the book enables students to gain a clearer perspective on the cultural and political Britain that they live in today.

Britain 1914-2000 by Derrick Murphy (942.082)



This book includes Britain in 1914, The Liberal Party 1918-2000: Decline and revival, British foreign and imperial policy 1918-1939; Social and economic history 1918-1939; The Conservative Party 1918-1939; The Labour Party 1918-1939; The social and political impact of the Second World War: The Road to 1945; The decline of Empire and the rise of the Commonwealth 1945-2000; The Labour Party 1945-2000; The Conservative Party 1945-2000; The social and economic transformation of Britain 1945-2000; Britain and Europe 1945-2000 and Anglo-Irish relations 1914-2000.

Britain since 1945 a political history by David Childs (941.085)



Political history text which not only discusses domestic policy and politics in particular, but also covers external and international relations including a discussion of 11 September 2001 the Iraq War and after the election of Iain Duncan Smith and Michael Howard as leaders of the Conservative Party immigration, asylum and identity, the wedding of Prince Charles and Camilla Parker-Bowles, the 2005 election and Blair's standing as Prime Minister, the controversy over fox hunting, the Gambling Act and 24-hour drinking the importance of China on the British arena. Established and authoritative, this volume is a crucial text for all students of contemporary British history and politics.

British Political History 1867-2001 by Pearce and Stewart (941.08)



Analysing the changing nature of British society and Britain's role on the world stage, Malcolm Pearce and Geoffrey Stewart also outline the growth of democracy and the growth in the power of the state against a background of party politics including: domestic affairs from 1992 to 2001 John Major's Government the creation of 'New' Labour and the 'Third Way' Blair's first ministry developments in Northern Ireland from 1995 through the Easter Peace Deal into 2001 the 2001 General Election results and implications.

A History of Modern Britain by Andrew Marr (941.085)



Presents the story of how the great political visions of New Jerusalem or a second Elizabethan Age, rival idealisms, came to be defeated by a culture of consumerism, celebrity and self-gratification. This book follows various political and economic stories, and deals with topics which include comedy, cars, Sixties anarchists, oil-men and punks.

Hope and Glory: Britain 1900-1990 by Peter Clarke 942.082



At the close of the twentieth century, shaken by two world wars, the erosion of empire, and the decline of the gold standard, Britain's place in the world is constantly debated and redefined. Hope and Glory traces not only the milestones of the nation's twentieth-century decline but also the subtler threads of a cultural and social history: the end of the Victorian boom and the first social reforms; the post-war welfare state; and the consumer culture of the late fifties and sixties, whose response to the electoral slogan "You've never had it so good" led to the eighties economy and its bleak underside. In this broad yet incisive perspective, portraits of giants such as David Lloyd George, Winston Churchill, and Margaret Thatcher mingle with sketches of ordinary Britons who lived through three generations of unprecedented change.

Mastering Modern British history by Norman Lowe (941.07)



This book brings the story of British history up to the general election of 1997, the end of the Thatcherite era and 18 years of Conservative domination.

Never had it so good by Dominic Sandbrook (941.085)



Arguing that historians have been besotted by the cultural revolution of the Sixties, Dominic Sandbrook re-examines the myths of this controversial period and paints a more complicated picture of a society caught between conservatism and change. He explores the growth of a modern consumer society, the impact of immigration, the invention of modern pop music, and the British retreat from empire. He tells the story of the colourful characters of the period, like Harold Macmillan, Kingsley Amis, and Paul McCartney, and brings to life the experience of the first post-imperial generation, from the Notting Hill riots to the first Beatles hits, from the Profumo scandal to the cult of James Bond.

Seasons in the Sun: The Battle for Britain 1974-1979 by Dominic Sandbrook (941.085)



The late 1970s were Britain's years of strife and the good life. They saw inflation, riots, the peak of trade union power - and also the birth of home computers, the rise of the ready meal and the triumph of a Grantham grocer's daughter who would change everything. Dominic Sandbrook recreates this extraordinary period in all its chaos and contradiction, revealing it as a turning point in our recent history, where, in everything from families and schools to punk and Doctor Who, the future of the nation was being decided.

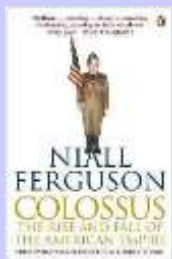
Small island by Andrea Levy (F LEV)



Hortense Joseph arrives in London from Jamaica in 1948 with her life in her suitcase, her heart broken, her resolve intact. Her husband, Gilbert Joseph, returns from the war expecting to be received as a hero, but finds his status as a black man in Britain to be second class. His white landlady, Queenie, raised as a farmer's daughter, befriends Gilbert, and later Hortense, with innocence and courage, until the unexpected arrival of her husband, Bernard, who returns from combat with issues of his own to resolve. Told in these four voices, Small Island is a courageous novel of tender emotion and sparkling wit, of crossings taken and passages lost, of shattering compassion and of reckless optimism in the face of insurmountable barriers---in short, an encapsulation of that most American of experiences: the immigrant's life.

USA 1865-1975

Colossus by Niall Ferguson (973.32)



Is America the new world empire? Presidents from Lincoln to Bush may have denied it but, as Niall Ferguson's brilliant and provocative book shows, the US is in many ways the greatest imperial power of all time. What's more, it always has been an empire, expanding westwards throughout the nineteenth century and rising to global dominance in the twentieth. But is today's American colossus really equipped to play Atlas, bearing the weight of the world on its shoulders? The United States, Ferguson reveals, is an empire running on empty, weakened by chronic deficits of money, manpower and political will. When the New Rome falls, he warns, its collapse may come from within.

Mastering Modern United States history by John Traynor (973.9)



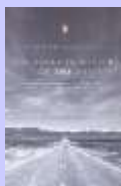
This book covers the key developments in American History from 1900 to 1980. The text provides comprehensive coverage of each president from Theodore Roosevelt to Jimmy Carter. Dramatic events such as the Wall Street Crash, Pearl Harbour, Cuban Missile Crisis and the Watergate Scandal are fully explored. It is an ideal text for students of A-Level and first year undergraduates, who will find the text accessible, lively and thought-provoking.

Modern America : the USA, 1865 to the present by Joanne de Pennington (973.91)



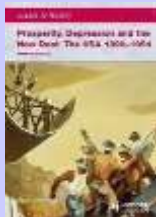
Major themes include: Civil Rights: tracing the story of the black population from emancipation through to the 1960s; Foreign policy: examining the reasons for and the results of the USA's transition from isolationism to worldwide involvement in many arenas; Industrial growth and change: investigating the USA's development as an economic superpower and the problems and opportunities this has created.

Penguin history of the USA by Hugh Brogan (973)



In a broad sweep of America's triumphant progress. Brogan explores the period leading to Independence from both the American and the British points of view, touching on permanent features of 'the American character' - both the good and the bad. He provides a masterly synthesis of all the latest research illustrating America's rapid growth from humble beginnings to global dominance.

Prosperity, depression and the New Deal : the USA 1890-1954 by Peter Clements (973.91)



It provides accessible and complete coverage of this period, from the presidential situation in 1890 and the reasons for entering the First World War to the policies of the New Deal and the impacts of the Second World War. It charts the changing optimism of the time, from the apparent economic stability of the 1920s, the devastation of the Depression, to the optimism under Roosevelt's presidency. Throughout the book, key dates, terms, and issues are highlighted, and historical interpretations of key debates are outlined.

Race Relations in the USA since 1900 by Vivienne Sanders (301.45)



A detailed account of the history of Black, Hispanic, Native, and Asian Americans since 1900, this title uses biographical accounts of prominent figures to illustrate the changing nature of the political and social struggles of the era. The text gives particular emphasis to the roles of Booker T. Washington, Martin Luther King, Malcolm X, Lyndon Johnson, and Jesse Jackson, with an expanded feature on radicals in the 1960s. The relative importance of prominent individuals, grass-roots activists, private and public organizations, and external pressures are weighed up throughout this history of change, progress, and regression.

United States 1776-1992 by Murphy and Cooper (973.3)



This text includes Synoptic Assessment 1776-1992; Political Background 1770-1877; The West 1800-1900; USA 1877-1919; USA in 1920s; USA in 1930s; US Foreign Policy 1898-1945; USA and Cold War in Europe 1945-91; USA and Cold War in Asia 1945-1975; Civil Rights 1900-1992; US Domestic Policy 1945-69; Nixon to Clinton.

USA and the Cold War, 1945-63 by Oliver Edwards (973.92)



This title takes account of recent historical research into the period, including up-to-date interpretations relating to the Cuban Missile Crisis. The major issues surrounding the origins of the Cold War and its subsequent escalation into a global power struggle between the United States and the Soviet Union, are examined through an accessible narrative and comprehensive selection of sources. The author also provides an analysis of the extent to which the Cold War had an impact on America's political institutions and society.

