







# Syllabus update: Cambridge International AS & A Level History (9489) for examination in 2026 and 2027

We have updated this syllabus. The latest syllabus is version 3, published December 2025.

## Changes to version 3 of the syllabus, published December 2025

What has changed?		Detail
	Other changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The weblink on page 46 has been updated.</li></ul>

## Changes to version 2 of the syllabus, published September 2024

What has changed?		Detail
	Changes to syllabus content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The syllabus content for 2027 has been updated.</li><li>The syllabus for 2027 is now available as a separate document. Please refer to the syllabus document for candidates taking exams in 2027, 2028 and 2029.</li><li>This syllabus is for exams in 2026 only. The subject content is unchanged for exams in 2026.</li></ul>
	Changes to assessment (including changes to specimen papers)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The assessment for 2027 has changed.</li><li>The specimen papers for exams in 2027 have been updated.</li><li>The syllabus for 2027 is now available as a separate document. Please refer to the syllabus document for candidates taking exams in 2027, 2028 and 2029.</li><li>This syllabus is for exams in 2026 only. The assessment is unchanged for exams in 2026.</li></ul>
	Publishers' endorsed resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Any textbooks endorsed to support the syllabus for examination from 2021 are still suitable for use with the syllabus for exams in 2026.</li></ul>

We have updated the specimen materials for this syllabus for exams in 2027.

Please check the updated syllabus and specimen papers for further information.

**The syllabus for exams in 2027 has been updated. You are strongly advised to read the whole syllabus before planning your teaching programme.**

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