

A GUIDE TO PART I OF THE CAMBRIDGE HISTORICAL TRIPOS

The tripos is divided into two Parts. The examination for Part I is taken at the end of the second year, and the examination for Part II at the end of the third. For Part I you are required to take an Historical Themes and Sources Paper, plus five other papers from Sections B-G. The formal rules governing selections are as follows:-

- a) You are required to take at least *one* period of British Political and Constitutional History, and at least *one* period of British Social and Economic History.
- b) If you don't do a European paper in Part I, you must do one in Part II.
- c) If you don't do a paper which falls mainly *before* 1750 in Part I, you must do a paper which covers this period in Part II.
- d) If you don't do a paper which falls mainly *after* 1750 in Part I, you must do a paper which covers this period in Part II.

What I need to know at this stage are the *three* papers that you would wish to study in your first year, over the full three terms. This will involve choosing a period of British Political and Constitutional History, a period (customarily the same period) of British Social and Economic History, and a period of European history (which may or may not cover the same period as your British papers). You might also wish to suggest options for your second year, involving two further papers from Sections B-G, but there is no need to make any firm commitments here at this stage.

Section A

Paper 1: Themes and Sources [compulsory paper]

Section B: British Political and Constitutional History

[choose *one* paper from this section for your first year]

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| Paper 2 | British Political and Constitutional History, 380-1100 |
| Paper 3 | British Political and Constitutional History, 1050-c.1500 |
| Paper 4 | British Political and Constitutional History, 1450-1750 |
| Paper 5 | British Political and Constitutional History, 1700-1914 |
| Paper 6 | British Political and Constitutional History since 1867 |

Section C: British Social and Economic History

[choose *one* paper from this section for your first year - it is wise and customary to select the same period as in section B]

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| Paper 7 | British Social and Economic History, 380-1100 |
| Paper 8 | British Social and Economic History, 1050-c.1500 |
| Paper 9 | British Social and Economic History, c.1500-1750 |
| Paper 10 | British Social and Economic History, 1700-1914 |
| Paper 11 | British Social and Economic History since c.1870 |

Section D: European History

[choose *one* paper from this section for your first year]

Note: papers 14 and 15 are due to be amalgamated from 2018-19 onwards

Paper 12 European History, 776 BC - AD 69

Paper 13 European History, 31 BC - AD 900

Paper 14/15 European History, 900-1520

Paper 16 European History, 1450-1760

Paper 17 European History, 1715-1890

Paper 18 European History since 1890

Section E: Political Thought

Paper 19 History of Political Thought to c.1700

Paper 20 History of Political Thought from c.1700 to c.1890

Section F: Extra-European History

Paper 21 Expansion of Europe from the fifteenth century to the First World War

Paper 22 North American History from 1607 to 1865

Section G: Additional Historical Subjects to be set from time to time

Paper 23 The West and the 'Third World' from the First World War to the present day

Paper 24 The History of the United States from 1865