

# History - Reading list



## The English Revolution – 1625-1660

### Introductory

- (1) Katherine Brice - The Early Stuarts and the English Revolution 1603-1660
- (2) David Sharpe – The Coming of the Civil War, 1603-1649
- (3) David Sharpe – England in Crisis: 1640-1660
- (4) David Scarboro – England 1625-1660

### General

- (1) Mark Kishlansky – The Monarchy Transformed – Britain 1603-1714
- (2) Michael Braddock – God's Fury and England's Fire – A New History of the English Civil Wars
- (3) Clive Holmes – Why was Charles Executed?
- (4) T.C. Barnard – The English Republic, 1649-1660
- (5) Blair Warden – The English Civil Wars – 1640-1660
- (6) J.S. Morrill – The Impact of the English Civil War
- (7) Ronald Hutton – The British Republic
- (8) Diane Purkiss – The English Civil War – A People's History

### Cromwell

- (1) Barry Coward – Oliver Cromwell (Profiles in Power)
- (2) Barry Coward – The Cromwellian Protectorate
- (3) Christopher Hill – God's Englishman: Oliver Cromwell and the English Revolution
- (4) Ian Gentles – God's Warrior and the English Revolution

### Charles I

- (1) Richard Cust - Charles I – A Political Life
- (2) Mark Kishlansky – Charles I
- (3) Christopher Daniels – Charles I (Cambridge Topics in History)

## Tsarist and Communist Russia, 1855-1964

### Introductory

- (1) John Laver - The Modernisation of Russia: 1856-1985
- (2) Jonathon Bromley – Russia 1848-1917

### Overviews

- (1) Orlando Figes – Revolutionary Russia 1891-1991
- (2) Robert Service – A History of Modern Russia: From Nicholas II to Putin
- (3) Edward Acton – The Tsarist and Soviet Legacy
- (4) Abraham Ascher - Russia: A Short History

### Tsars

- (1) Peter Waldron - The End of Imperial Russia, 1855-1917
- (2) Simon Sebag Montefiore – The Romanovs

## **Communists**

- (1) Robert Service – The Russian Revolution, 1900-1927
- (2) Edward Acton – Rethinking the Russian Revolution
- (3) Orlando Figes – The People's Tragedy
- (4) Sean Mc Meekin – The Russian Revolution
- (5) Martin McCauley - The Rise and Fall of the Soviet Union: 1917-1991

## **The Philosophy of History**

- (1) Ulinka Rublick – The Concise Companion to History
- (2) Harriet Swain – The Big Questions in History
- (3) E.H. Carr – What is History?
- (4) Richard Evans – In Defence of History
- (5) Lyn Hunt – Telling the Truth about History
- (6) Lyn Hunt – Writing History in a Global Era

## **Reading Beyond the Modern Period**

### **Ancient**

- (1) Mary Beard - SPQR
- (2) Sarah Pomeroy – Goddesses, Whores, Wives and Slaves: Women in Classical Antiquity
- (3) Tom Holland – Rubicon: The Triumph and Tragedy of the Roman Republic

### **Medieval**

- (1) Emmanuel La Roy Ladurie – Montaillou: Cathars and Catholics in a French Village, 1294-1324
- (2) Robert Bartlett – The Hanged Man: A story of miracle, memory and colonialism in the Middle Ages
- (3) Maria Rosa Menocal - The Ornament of the World: How Muslims, Jews and Christians created a culture of Tolerance in Medieval Spain

### **Early Modern**

- (1) Keith Thomas – The Ends of Life: Roads to Fulfilment in Early Modern England
- (2) Keith Thomas – Religion and the Decline of Magic
- (3) Lyndal Roper – Martin Luther
- (4) Miranda Kaufman - Black Tudors: The Untold Story

### **Reading Beyond Europe**

- (1) Franz Fanon – The Wretched of the Earth
- (2) Peter Frankopan – Silk Roads: A New History of the World
- (3) Jung Chang – Empress, Dowager, Cixi: The Concubine who launched Modern China
- (4) Miguel Leon-Portilla – The Broken Spears: The Aztec Account of the Conquest of Mexico

### **British History**

- (1) Linda Colley – Britons: Forging the Nation 1707-1837
- (2) Brendan Simms – Britain's Europe: A Thousand Years of Conflict and Cooperation
- (3) David Cannadine – Victorious Century: The United Kingdom 1880-1906
- (4) David Olusoga – Black and British: A Forgotten History