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HIST 3422: Britain in the Modern Era

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The aim of this course is to chart British history - social, cultural, political and economic - from the beginning of the nineteenth century until the mid-twentieth century. This is a fascinating period where Britain changes from being an agricultural society run by a wealthy social elite to a modern industrial democracy. We will examine those changes – how and why they happen – in this course.

Course Outline

- Britain after Napoleon
- The era of Lord Liverpool: from reaction to reform
- The Liberal Tories
- Parliamentary reform: the Great Reform Act
- The Whig reforms
- Chartism
- The political system after the Great Reform Act
- Sir Robert Peel
- The Great Rivals: William E. Gladstone and Benjamin Disraeli
- The origins and causes of industrial and agricultural decline
- The rise of the Labour party
- Liberals, Lords and Ladies: the Liberal reforms of the early 20th century, constitutional reform and the campaign for Votes for Women
- Britain between the wars – post war political and economic dislocation
- Britain between the wars – the General Strike, impact of the Stock Market Crash and formation of the National Government
- The plans for a post-war welfare state (the Beveridge Report)
- The Attlee governments: the creation of the welfare state

The course requires each student to complete a comprehension exercise and an essay both of which constitutes 50 per cent of the overall mark. The remaining 50 per cent will be assessed on the basis of an examination.

Further reading and research list

Wroxton College Library and Online Sources

There is an almost infinite range of online sources to consult in your wider reading and research for this course. Here is a list of websites I find useful, but it is by no means a definitive or exhaustive list.

<https://www.bl.uk/> The British Library

<https://www.gov.uk/government/history/past-prime-ministers> The British government's website with interesting biographical information about past British Prime Ministers

<https://www.parliament.uk/about/living-heritage/> The British Parliament's website also has a lot of useful information, some of which can be accessed here

<https://spartacus-educational.com/> A massive history education website. You can input quite specific terminology into the search engine. Full of rabbit holes!

<http://www.victorianweb.org/> Another huge source of information. Don't be put off by the simplistic homepage as its pages are full of detail.

<https://archives.history.ac.uk/history-in-focus/Victorians/www.html> Has lots of useful links to other sites

<https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/learn/story-of-england/> English Heritage is an independent but publicly funded body that preserves some of Britain's historic buildings. On this part of its website it charts the nation's history

Below is a list of some JSTOR articles, ProBooks ebooks central (FDU subscription) and books with some Google Books preview coverage that I think you may find helpful. Again, this list is not definitive.

The books available in Wroxton College's library are listed along with the relevant page or chapter numbers and the index number to help you locate them in the library. If you have any difficulty locating books, or need any library advice speak to Andrew Rose, the college librarian.

Britain after Napoleon

Online

Davis, M., Comrade or Brother? A History of the British Labour Movement, Chapters 1 and 2 (ebook)

Harvie, C. and Matthew, H. Nineteenth Century Britain (ebook)

Lee, S. J., Aspects of British Political History 1815-1914 Chapter 1 (ebook)

McCord, N., British History 1815-1914 Introduction and Chapters 2 & 3 (ebook)

Wasson, E. A History of Modern Britain (ebook)

Wroxton Library

Beales, D., From Castlereagh to Gladstone, Chapters 3-5	942.08 BEA
Derry, J. W., Reaction and Reform, Chapter 3	942.074 DER
Gash, N., Aristocracy and People: Britain 1815-1865, Chapter 1 & 2	942.075 GAS
Lee, S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chapter 1	942 LEE
Lynch, M., Nineteenth Century British History, Chp 4 part 1	942.075 LYN
Peacock, H. L., A History of Modern Britain, Chapter 1	942 PEA
Thomson, D., England In the Nineteenth Century, Chapter 1	942.08 THO
Wright, D. G., Popular Radicalism, Chapters 1 & 2	942.074 WRI
Harvie, C. and Matthew, H. Nineteenth Century Britain	942.075 HAR

The era of Lord Liverpool and the Liberal Tories

Online

Archer, J., Social Unrest and Popular Protest in England (ebook)	
Davis, M., Comrade or Brother? A History of the British Labour Movement, Chapter 3 (ebook)	
Hilton, B., 'The Political Arts of Lord Liverpool' (Jstor)	
Hilton, B., A Mad, Bad and Dangerous People? Chapters 4 & 5 (ebook)	
Lee S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chapters 2 & 3 (ebook)	
Marlow, J., The Peterloo Massacre (limited preview on Google Books)	
McCord, N. British History 1815-1914, Chapter 1 (ebook)	
Ploughwright, J. Regency England: The Age of Lord Liverpool (ebook)	
Poole, R., 'By the Law or the Sword: Peterloo Revisited' (Jstor)	
Poole, R., The Peterloo Massacre (limited preview on Google Books)	
Reid, R., The Peterloo Massacre (limited preview on Google Books)	
Riding, J., The Peterloo Massacre (limited preview on Google Books)	

Wroxton Library

Beales, D., From Castlereagh to Gladstone, Chapters 1 & 2	942.08 BEA
Briggs, A., The Age of Improvement, Chapter 4	942.07 BRI
Brown, R., Revolution, Radicalism and Reform, Chp 3	942.074 BRO
Cannadine, D., Victorious Century, pp. 122-149	942.075 CAN
Clarke, G., English History, p.p. 416-419	942 CLA
Derry, J. W., Reaction and Reform, Chapter 4	942.074 DER
Dinwiddy, J. R., 'English Radicalism: Before the Chartists' in Modern History Review, November 1990	History Journal File
Dinwiddy, J. R., From Luddism to the First Reform Bill, Chapter 2	942.074 DIN
Evans, E., 'The Premiership of Lord Liverpool: another long-serving Prime Minister' in Modern History Review, April 1990	History Journal File
Evans, E., Political Parties in Britain, pp. 25-33	942.08 EVA
Feiling, K., A History of England, p.p. 787-826	942 FEI
Gash, N., Aristocracy and People: Britain 1815-1865, Chapter 3 & pp. 129-142	942.075 GAS
Hinde, W., "George Canning: a Career Blighted by Ambition" in Modern History Review, April 1991	History Journal File
Lawson, P., 'Reassessing Peterloo' in History Today, March 1988	History Journal File
Lee S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chapters 2 & 3	942 LEE

Lynch, M. Nineteenth Century British History, Chp 2 part 1	942.075 LYN
Marlow, J., The Peterloo Massacre	942.073 MAR
Murphy, D., Britain 1783-1918, Chp 3	942.074 MUR
Peacock, H. L., A History of Modern Britain, Chapters 2 & 3	942 PEA
Webb, R. K., Modern England, pp. 157-168; 172-186	942 WEB
White, R. J., Waterloo to Peterloo	942.073 WHI
Wright, D. G., Popular Radicalism, Chapter 4	942.074 WRI
Woodward, L., The Age of Reform, Chapter 1 (up to p. 78)	942.075 OXF

The Whig reforms and parliamentary reform

Online

Aidt, T., Democratization Under the Threat of Revolution: Evidence from the Great Reform Act of 1832 (Jstor)	
Butler, J., The Passing of the Great Reform Bill (limited preview on Google Books)	
Fraser, A., Perilous Question (limited preview on Google Books)	
Hilton, B., A Mad, Bad and Dangerous People? Chapter 6 (ebook)	
Lang, S., Parliamentary Reform, Chp 2 (ebook)	
Lee, S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chapters 5 & 6 (ebook)	
Longmate, N., The Workhouse (limited preview on Google Books)	
McCord, N. British History 1815-1914, Chapters 4 & 5 (ebook)	
Philips, J., The Great Reform Act of 1832 and the Political Modernisation of Britain (Jstor)	

Wroxton Library:

Beales, D., From Castlereagh to Gladstone, pp. 72-83, Chapters 7 & 8	942.08 BEA
Briggs, A., The Age of Improvement, Chapter 5	942.07 BRI
Brown, R., Revolution, Radicalism and Reform, Chp 4 & 12	942.074 BRO
Butler, J., The Passing of the Great Reform Bill	942.074 BUT
Cannadine, D., Victorious Century, pp. 150-178	942.075 CAN
Clarke, G., English History, p.p.419-424	942 CLA
Derry, J., Reaction and Reform, pp. 112-118 & Chapter 5	942.074 DER
Dinwiddy, J. R., From Luddism to the First Reform Bill, Chapters 1, 3 & 4	942.074 DIN
Englander, D., Poverty and Poor Law Reform in Nineteenth Century Britain	942.0814ENG
Feiling, K., A History of England, p.p. 828-836	942 FEI
Finlayson, G., 'The 1830's: Decade of Reform?' in Modern History Review, February 1991	
History Journal File	
Finlayson, G., England in the 1830s	942.074 FIN
Fraser, A., Perilous Question	942.074 FRA
Fraser, D., The Evolution of the Welfare State, Chapters 1 & 2	942.0814 FRA
Fraser, D., The New Poor Law in the Nineteenth Century	942.0814 FRA
Gash, N., The Age of Peel, Chapter 2	942.075 PEE
Gash, N., Politics in the Age of Peel	942.075 PEE
Gash, N., Aristocracy and People, p.p. 142-155, Chapter 6	942.075 GAS
Halliday, F. E. England: A Concise History, Chapter 15	942 HAL
Johnston, N., The History of the Parliamentary Franchise	324.42 JOH
Lang, S., Parliamentary Reform, Chp 2	942.075 LAN

Lee, S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chapters 5 & 6	942 LEE
Llwellyn, A., The Decade of Reform	942.074 LLW
Lynch, M., Nineteenth Century British History, Chp 2 part 2	942.075 LYN
May, T., The Victorian Workhouse	942.08 MAY
Midwinter, E. C., Victorian Social Reform	942.0814 MID
Murphy, D., Britain 1783-1918, pp. 239-242 and Chps 6 & 7	942.074 MUR
Peacock, H. L., A History of Modern Britain, Chapters 5 & 6	942 PEA
Pearce, E., Reform! The Fight for the 1832 Reform Act	942.08 PEA
Pearce, R. and Stearn, R., Government and Reform, Chps 2 & 3	942.075 PEA
Stewart, R. Party and Politics, Chps 2, 3, 4 and 7	942.08 STE
Webb, R. K., Modern England, pp. 186-203; 209-218; 222-233; 245-249	942 WEB
Woodward, L., The Age of Reform, pp. 78-87; 88-103	942.075 OXF
Wright, D. G., Democracy and Reform, Chapters 4-6	942.074 WRI
Wright, D. G., Popular Radicalism, Chapter 5	942.074 WRI

Chartism

Online

Archer, J., Social Unrest and Popular Protest in England (ebook)	
Beer, M., A History of British Socialism, see Contents page (limited preview on Google Books)	
Chase, M. Chartism: A New History (ebook)	
Davis, M., Comrade or Brother? A History of the British Labour Movement, Chapter 4 (ebook)	
Dinwiddy, J. R., Radicalism and Reform, Chapter 21 (ebook)	
Epstein, J. and Thompson, D., The Chartist Experience: Studies in Working Class Radicalism and Culture, 1830-60, Chapter 1 and 10 (limited preview on Google Books)	
Lang, S., Parliamentary Reform, Chp 3 (ebook)	
Lee, S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chapter 8 (ebook)	
Vanden Bossche, C., Reform Acts: Chartism, Social Agency and the Victorian Novel (ebook)	
Walton, J., Chartism (ebook)	

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Beales, D., From Castlereagh to Gladstone, pp. 131-3	942.08 BEA
Briggs, A. Chartism	942.07 BRI
Briggs, A., The Age of Improvement, pp. 286-325	942.07 BRI
Brown, R., 'Chartism and the State, 1838-48', Modern History Review, November 2003 History Journal File	
Brown, R., Revolution, Radicalism and Reform, Chp 14	942.074 BRO
Cannadine, D., Victorious Century, pp. 178-183	942.075 CAN
Chase, M. Chartism: A New History	942.076 CHA
Clark, G., English History, p. 426	942 CLA
Cole, G. D. H., British Working Class Politics, Chapter 2	942.0813 COL
Cole, G. D. H., The Common People, Chapters 23 & 25	942.08 COL
Cunningham, H., 'The Nature of Chartism', Modern History Review, April 1990 History Journal File	
Derry, J., Reaction and Reform, pp. 118-130	942.074 DER
Dinwiddy, J. R., Chartism	942.08 DIN

Epstein, J. and Thompson, D., The Chartist Experience: Studies in Working Class Radicalism and Culture, 1830-60, Chapter 1 and 10	942.076 EPS
Feiling, K., A History of England, p.p. 826-839	942 FEI
Gash, N., Aristocracy and People, Chapter 7	942.075 GAS
Gash, N., The Age of Peel, Chapter 5	942.075 GAS
Lang, S., 'Chartism and Violence,' Modern History Review, November 2003 Journal File	History
Lang, S., Parliamentary Reform, Chp 3	942.075 LAN
Lee, S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chapter 8	942 LEE
Murphy, D., Britain 1783-1918, Chp 9	942.074 MUR
Peacock, H. L., A History of Modern Britain, Chapter 8	942 PEA
Royale, E., Chartism	942.076 ROY
Thomson, D., England in the Nineteenth Century, pp. 83-87	942.08 THO
Webb, R. K., Modern England, pp. 249-254; 261-263	942 WEB
Woodward, L., The Age of Reform, pp. 126-148	942.075 OXF
Wright, D. G., Popular Radicalism, Chapter 6	942.074 WRI

Sir Robert Peel

Online

Lee, S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chapters 7 & 9 (ebook)
 McCord, N., British History 1815-1914, see index (ebook)
 Pickering, P. and Tyrell, A., The People's Bread: A History of the Anti-Corn Law League (ebook)

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Adelman, P., Peel and the Conservative Party, 1830-1850	942.075 PEE
Beales, D., From Castlereagh to Gladstone, Chapter 9	942.08 BEA
Briggs, A., The Age of Improvement, pp.325-343	942.07 BRI
Brown, R., Revolution, Radicalism and Reform, Chps 5 & 6	942.074 BRO
Cannadine, D., Victorious Century, pp. 200-222	942.075 CAN
Chapman, T., 'Peel's Government 1841-46' in Modern History Review, April 1991 Journal File	History
Clarke, G., English History, p. 427	942 CLA
Derry, J., Reaction and Reform, Chapter 7	942.074 DER
Evans, E., Political Parties in Britain, pp. 33-41	942.03 EVA
Feiling, K., A History of England, p.p. 841-854	942 FEI
Gash, N., Aristocracy and People, Chapter 8	942.075 GAS
Gash, N., Reaction and Reconstruction in English Politics	942.074 GAS
Gash, N., Sir Robert Peel	942.075 GAS
Gash, N., 'Sir Robert Peel and the Conservative Party' in Modern History Review, February 1990 History Journal File	History
Gash, N., The Age of Peel, pp. 74-79; 86-88; 112-3; 125-134	942.075 PEE
Hurd, D., Robert Peel	942.075 PEE
Jenkins, T., Sir Robert Peel	942.075 PEE
Lee, S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chapters 7 & 9	942 LEE

Lynch, M., Nineteenth Century British History, Chp 2 part 3	942.075 LYN
Murphy, D., Britain 1783-1918, Chp 8	942.074 MUR
Peacock, H. L., A History of Modern Britain, Chapter 7	942 PEA
Seaman, L. C. B., Victorian England, Chapter 4	942.08 SEA
Stewart, R., Party and Politics, Chp 5	942.08 STE
Webb, R. K., Modern England, Chapter 6	942 WEB
Woodward, L., The Age of Reform, pp. 109-114; 122-124	942.075 OXF

William E. Gladstone and Benjamin Disraeli

Online

Bebbington, D., Gladstone Centenary Essays, pp. 75-112 (ebook)
 Carr, R., One Nation Britain, pp. 25-31 (ebook)
 Hoppen, K., The Mid-Victorian Generation, Chp 16 (ebook)
 Lang, S., Parliamentary Reform, Chp 4 (ebook)
 Lee, S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chaps 12, 13 & 14 (ebook)
 McCord, N., British History 1815-1914, pp. 286-303 (ebook)
 Parry, J., Benjamin Disraeli (limited preview on Google Books)
 St John, I., Gladstone and the Logic of Victorian Politics (limited preview on Google Books)
 Winstanley, M., Gladstone and the Liberal Party (ebook)

Wroxton Library

Adelman, P., 'Gladstone and Liberalism' in Modern History Review, February 1991
 History Journal File

Adelman, P., Gladstone, Disraeli and later Victorian Politics	942.08 GLA
Aldous, R., The Lion and the Unicorn	942.08 GLA
Beales, D., From Castlereagh to Gladstone 1815-1885, Chapters 18, 19, 20 & 22	942.08 BEA
Blake, R., 'Disraeli: Political Outsider' in Modern History Review, November 1989	History Journal File
Blake, R., Disraeli	942.08 DIS
Cannadine, D., Victorious Century, Chapter 8	942.075 CAN
Clark, G., English History, p. 459	942 CLA
Eyck, E., Gladstone	942.08 GLA
Feiling, K., A History of England, pp. 945-955	942 FEI
Feuchtwanger, E. J., Democracy and Empire, Chapters 2 & 3	942 FEU
Feuchtwanger, E. J., Disraeli, Democracy and the Tory Party	942.08 DIS
Goodlad, G., 'From Peelite technocrat to People's William', Modern History Review, September 2004	History Journal File
Grinter, R., Disraeli and Conservatism	942.08 DIS
Halliday, F. E., England: A Concise History, Chapter 16	942 HAL
Hammer, D. A., Liberal Politics in the Age of Gladstone and Rosebery	942.08 GLA
Hammond, J. and Foot, M., Gladstone and Liberalism, esp. Chapter 8	942.08 GLA
Hurd, Disraeli	942.08 DIS
Jenkins, R., Gladstone	942.08 GLA
Johnson, D., 'Disraeli's Primrose path of Alliance' in The Times Saturday Review, April 20th 1991	Copies available from Dr Morris

Lang, S., Parliamentary Reform, Chp 4	942.075 LAN
Lee, S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chaps 12, 13 & 14	942 LEE
Lynch, M., Nineteenth Century British History, Chp 3	942.075 LYN
Magnus, P., Gladstone	942.08 GLA
Matthew, H., Gladstone 1875-1898	942.08 GLA
Murphy, D., Britain 1783-1918, Chps 15 & 16	942.074 MUR
Parry, J., Benjamin Disraeli	942.08 DIS
Peacock, H. L., A History of Modern Britain, Chapters 13, 14 & 15	942 PEA
Pearce, British Political History 1867-2001, Chapter 2	942 PEA
Shannon, R., Gladstone (in two volumes)	942.08 GLA
Smith, P., Disraelian Conservatism and Social Reform	942.08 DIS
St John, I., 'Disraeli and Social Reform, 1874-80' in Modern History Review, November 2004 History Journal File	
Tomalin, C., 'The Hawk in the Reign' from The Independent on Sunday, 22nd October 1995 Copies available from Dr Morris	
Vincent, J., 'Was Disraeli A Failure?' History Today, October 1981 available from Dr Morris	Copies
Webb, R. K., Modern England, pp. 339-352	942 WEB
Woodward, L., The Age of Reform	942.075 OXF

Origins of industrial decline

Online

Allen, R., The Industrial Revolution (a very limited preview on Google Books)	
Davis, M., Comrade or Brother? A History of the British Labour Movement, Chapter 5 (ebook)	
Deane, P., The First Industrial Revolution (limited preview on Google Books)	
Hobsbawm, E. J., Industry and Empire (limited preview on Google Books)	
Hudson, P., The Industrial Revolution (ebook)	
Lee, S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chapter 20 (ebook)	
McCord, N., British History 1815-1914, Chapters 3, 6, 9 and 12 (ebook)	
More, C., Understanding the Industrial Revolution (ebook)	
Wiener, M., English Culture and the Decline of the Industrial Spirit (limited preview on Google Books)	

Wroxton Library

Alford, B. W. E., Britain in the World Economy since 1880	330.942 ALF
Allen, R., The British Industrial Revolution in Global Perspective	942.071 ALL
Beales, D., From Castlereagh to Gladstone, Chapters 13 & 18	942.08 BEA
Brown, R., Revolution, Radicalism and Reform, Chps 9 & 10	942.074 BRO
Cannadine, D., Victorious Century, pp. 273-282	942.075 CAN
Clarke, G., English History, p. 431-2	942 CLA
Feuchtwanger, E. J., Democracy and Empire, Chapter 4	942 FEU
Flinn, M., Origins of Industrial Revolution	942.071 FLI
Griffin, E. A Short History of the British Industrial Revolution	942.071 GRI
Hartwell, R., The Industrial Revolution in England	942.071 HAR
Hobsbawm, E. J., Industry and Empire	942.071 HOB

Lee, S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chapter 20	942 LEE
Mathias, P., The First Industrial Revolution	942.071 MAT
Murphy, D., Britain 1783-1918, Chps 10 & 13 and pp. 333-335	942.074 MUR
Peacock, H. L., A History of Modern Britain, Chapter 29	942 PEA
Royale, E., Modern Britain, pp. 33-9	942 ROY
Saul, S., The Myth of the Great Depression	942.08 SAU
Seaman, L. C. B., Victorian England, Chapter 13	942.08 SEA
Sked, A., Britain's Decline, Chapter 2	942.085 SKE
Stewart, R., Party and Politics, Chp 6	942.08 STE
Taylor, P., The Industrial Revolution in Britain, Chapter 1	942.071 TAY
Webb, R. K., Modern England, pp. 375-386	942 WEB
Wiener, M., English Culture and the Decline of the Industrial Spirit	942.08 WIE

The rise of Labour

Online

Beer, M., A History of British Socialism (limited preview on Google Books)	
Cole, G. D. H., Early Pamphlets, especially 'British Labour Movement' (ebook)	
Davis, M., Comrade or Brother? A History of the British Labour Movement, Chapters 6-8 (ebook)	
Havinghurst, A. F. Britain in Transition, pp. 74-77 (limited preview on Google Books)	
Lang, S., Parliamentary Reform, Chp 6 (ebook)	
Layborn, K., Fifty Key Figures in Twentieth Century British Politics, pp. 113-121 (ebook)	
Lee S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chapter 18 (ebook)	
McCord, N., British History 1815-1914, see index (ebook)	
Phillips, G., The Rise of the Labour Party (ebook)	
Quinault, R., British Prime Ministers and Democracy, pp. 66-75 (ebook)	
Searle, G., A New England? Peace and War 1886-1918, Chapter 6 (ebook)	
Stewart Reid, J., Origins of the British Labour Party (ebook)	
Wilson, T., The Downfall of the Liberal Party 1914-1935, intro & see index (limited preview on Google Books)	

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Adelman, P., 'The Decline of the Liberal Party 1910-1931' Modern History Review, September 1989 and conclusion in November 1989	History Journal File
Adelman, P., The Rise of the Labour Party	942.0813ADE
Beer, M., A History of British Socialism	329.942 BEE
Belchem, J., Class, Party and the Political System in Britain	942.08 BEL
Clarke, G., English History, p. 482	942 CLA
Cole, G. D. H., British Working Class Politics 1832-1914 Chapters 8 – 19	942.0813 COL
Dangerfield, G., The Strange Death of Liberal England, pp. 201-208; 208-243; 248-278 and part 3: chapter 4	942.0812DAN
Davies, A. J., To Build a New Jerusalem, Part 1	942.0813DAV
Feuchtwanger, E. J., Democracy and Empire, pp. 205-10 and pp. 261-8	942 FEU
Goodlad, G., 'Liberal Party decline, 1868-1992', Modern History Review, Nov 2003	History Journal File

Havinghurst, A. F. Britain in Transition, pp. 74-77	942.082 HAV
Lawrence, J., 'Britain's cautious revolutionaries', BBC History Magazine, March 2018 (copies available from Dr Morris)	
Lang, S., Parliamentary Reform, Chp 6	942.075 LAN
Lee S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chapter 18	942 LEE
Lynch, M., Nineteenth Century British History, Chp 7	942.075 LYN
Marquand, D., Ramsay MacDonald	320.942 MAC
Morgan, A., J. Ramsay MacDonald	320.942 MAC
Mowat, C. L., Britain Between the Wars, Chapters 3, 6 & 7	942.0831MOW
Murphy, D., Britain 1783-1918, pp. 335-338 and Chp 20	942.074 MUR
Pearce, M., British Political History 1867-2001, Chapter 7	942 PEA
Pelling, H., A Short History of the Labour Party, Chapters 1 – 4	942.0813 PEL
Pelling, H., Origins of the Labour Party	942.0813 PEL
Tanner, D., 'The Rise of the Labour Party', Modern History Review, November 1989	History Journal File
Tsuzuki, C. and Pelling, H., H. M. Hyndman and British Socialism,	942.0813 TSU
Watts, D., Ramsay MacDonald	320.942 MAC
Webb, R. K., Modern England, Chapter 12	942 WEB
Wilson, T., The Downfall of the Liberal Party 1914-1935, intro & see index	942.0812 WIL
Wright, T., and Carter, M., The People's Party, Chapter 2	942.0813 WRI

Liberals, Lords and Ladies

Online

- Bartley, P., Emmeline Pankhurst (ebook)
- Bartley, P., Votes for Women 1860-1928 (limited preview on Google Books)
- Cawood, I., Britain in the Twentieth Century, Chapter 2 (ebook)
- Collette, C., In the Thick of the Fight: The Writing of Emily Wilding Davison, Militant Suffragette (ebook)
- Constantine, S., Lloyd George (ebook)
- Davis, M., Sylvia Pankhurst: a life in Radical Politics (ebook)
- Havinghurst, A. F., Britain in Transition, Chapter 4 (limited preview on Google Books)
- Holton, S., Votes for Women (ebook)
- Holton, S., Suffrage Days (ebook)
- Lang, S., Parliamentary Reform, Chp 8 (ebook)
- Layborn, K., Fifty Key Figures in Twentieth Century British Politics, pp. 3-9, 59-61, 162-168, 191-194 (ebook)
- Lee, S. J., Aspects of British Political History, 1815-1914, Chapter 17 (ebook)
- Mayhall, L., The Militant Suffrage Movement (ebook)
- Purvis, J., Emmeline Pankhurst: a biography (ebook)
- Quinault, R., British Prime Ministers and Democracy, pp. 44-54 (ebook)
- Quinault, R., 'Asquith's Liberalism' (Jstor)
- Robinson, J., Hearts and Minds (Suffragists) (limited preview on Google Books)
- Rosen, A., Rise Up Women! The Militant Campaign of the Women's Social and Political Union (ebook)
- Searle, G., A New England? Peace and War 1886-1918, Chapter 2, 11 and 12 (ebook)

Wroxton Library

Aikin, K. W. W., <i>The Last Years of Liberal England</i>	942.0812 AIK
Bartley, P., <i>Emmeline Pankhurst</i>	305.4 BAR
Bartley, P., <i>Votes for Women 1860-1928</i>	305.4 BAR
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Essay Questions

Week 12 – Thursday 4.00pm

Choose one of the following questions to complete for your essay. Essays should be approximately 1,500-2,000 words in length and must be properly referenced (any consistent referencing style is acceptable) with a bibliography.

1. How serious was the threat of revolution in the years before 1820?
2. *“Liverpool’s object was not to alter course but to re-organise his crew for a voyage that had already started.”* Discuss this view of Liverpool’s government after 1822.
3. To what extent did the Great Reform Act (1832) remedy defects in the electoral system?
4. How far did the Whig Reforms of the period 1833-41 deal with the domestic problems of the time?
5. *‘The Chartists were doomed to failure even before the final form of their charter was drafted’.* Discuss.
6. What measures did Peel take to revive the British economy in the 1840s? Why did his policy on the Corn Law bring him into conflict with his party?
7. By examining his domestic legislation, assess whether William Gladstone deserved the nickname ‘the People’s William’.
8. On what principles did Disraeli base his ‘Beaconsfieldism’ or ‘Tory Democracy’? Show how he put these principles into practice in his domestic policy after 1874.

9. To what extent was Britain's relative economic decline after 1870 an inevitable result of factors beyond the government's control?
10. 'The Labour Party was born out of the bowels of the T.U.C.'. Discuss Ernest Bevin's remark about the origins of Labour. What other factors may have been involved?
11. Explain the social, economic and political factors that led to Liberal party to demonstrate a growing concern for the condition of the working man at the beginning of the twentieth century. Use examples from their domestic legislation consider how successfully the Liberal governments (1906-14) addressed the problems of the working class.
12. Outline the campaign for women's suffrage up to 1918. Do you believe that suffragette militancy delayed women getting the vote?
13. What caused a General Strike in Britain in 1926? Evaluate different explanations for its failure.
14. Why did Edward VIII abdicate in 1936? Explain why the King's private life caused a constitutional crisis.
15. Kenneth O. Morgan noted that 'Labour's abiding legacy was the welfare state'. Examine the legislation that led to the creation of a welfare state and explain how the Beveridge report contributed to its formation.

Notes on the preparation and presentation of essays

- a) You must place the full title of the question you are attempting at the top of the first page. Pages should also be numbered
- b) Essays should be approximately 1,500-2,000 words in length.
- c) Quotations, references to other work and factual assertions should be properly referenced. Any referencing style (e.g. Harvard) is acceptable.
- d) A bibliography, quoting books, websites, e-books, articles etc. used, should be included at the end of the essay.
- e) Work must be handed in by the due date.
- f) Plagiarising either from published printed works, from the internet or from the work of colleagues is not acceptable and an academic offence.

Tips on written work

Keep it relevant. Be careful not to stray from what the question is asking you.

Answer the question logically. Set out the points you wish to make step-by-step, and support each assertion with relevant evidence. Unsupported arguments, however relevant to an essay, cannot be graded as highly as those which are defended by relevant evidence. On the other hand, essays should not constitute a collection of factual statements.

Every argument or assertion you make must be backed by evidence. Every piece of evidence you include must relate to your arguments.

Be cautious to avoid sloppy grammar, poor spelling and long sentences as they detract from even the finest of essays. It is always wise to re-read essays a few times after you have completed them to weed out such mistakes.

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