



History A Level preparation work

Watch;

- Jeremy Paxman's Empire series (on YouTube)
- Niall Ferguson's Empire How Britain Made the Modern World (on YouTube)
- Andrew Marr's Making of Modern Britain (on YouTube and BBC iPlayer)

Online Reading;

- <https://www.historyextra.com/period/20th-century/amritsar-massacre-india-british-empire-darkest-day-churchill-general-dyer/>
- <https://www.historyextra.com/period/victorian/why-how-britain-became-global-superpower-empire-industrial-revolution/>
- <https://www.historyextra.com/period/georgian/british-empire-landmarks-doorsteps-kwasi-kwarteng-mp-cities-britain/>
- <https://www.historyextra.com/period/20th-century/how-significant-suez-crisis-canal-anthony-eden-failure-egypt-invasion/>
- <https://www.historyextra.com/period/victorian/raj-nostalgia-reconsidering-the-stories-through-which-we-view-empire/>
- <https://www.historyextra.com/period/victorian/the-british-empire-10-big-questions/>

All the reading/watching is on the Empire topic as it's the first one we look at and the one that most students are less familiar with - however there are lots of good documentaries on the Nazi regime on various streaming platforms (e.g. BBC iPlayer currently has Rise of the Nazis).

America's Biggest Fibs by Lucy Worsley (episodes 1 and 2) are a particularly good introduction for our coursework topic - although it isn't on iPlayer at the moment, it does occasionally come back online so is worth keeping an eye out for it. Further Lucy Worsley's Britain's Biggest Fibs has an episode on Britain in India too (similarly it comes on to BBC iPlayer sporadically so keep checking for it).

Things to consider as you are reading/watching anything on Empire;

- An understanding of the geography of the Empire
- Reasons for the growth/decline of Empire
- The attitudes/views towards indigenous peoples and their views towards British rule

A-Levels Topics

- British Empire 1857 to 1967
- Germany 1918 to 1945
- America – c1760 to 1865