

# Hinchingbrooke History Department

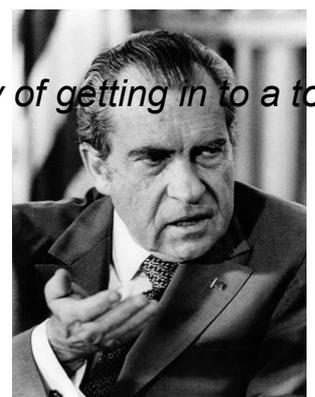
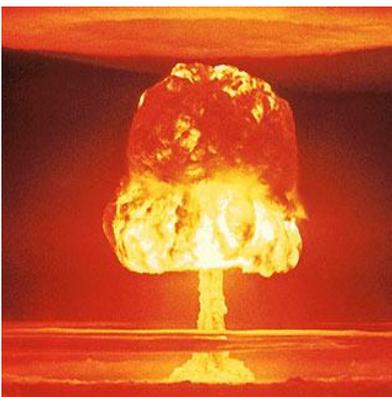
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## Component 1: (Breadth Study)



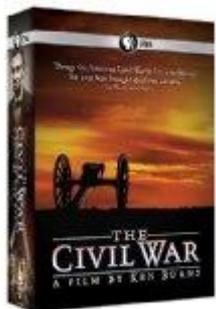
### ***“The Making of a Superpower: USA, 1865-1975”***



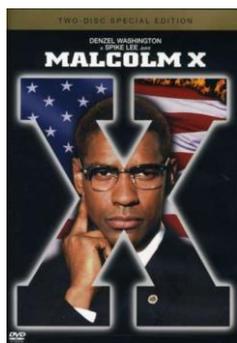
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**A MUST!!!!**



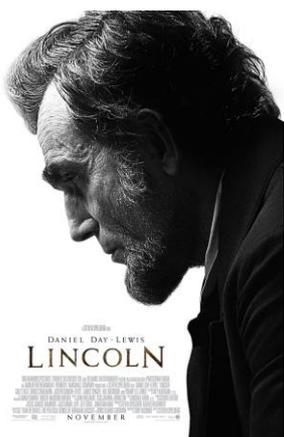
One of the finest documentary ever made! Great for setting the scene and for looking at the aftermath of the war... which is where the course starts!



Traces the life of Malcolm X from street Hoodlum to black power leader, exploring the relationship between Malcolm X and the Nation of Islam.



Fantastic for a general introduction to 1960s American history and culture. Includes references to civil rights and the war in Vietnam.



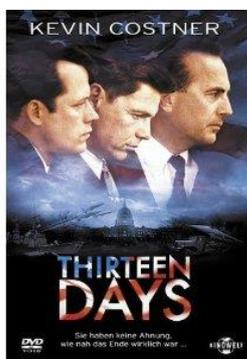
The recent bio-pic. Explores Lincoln and the emancipation of the slaves



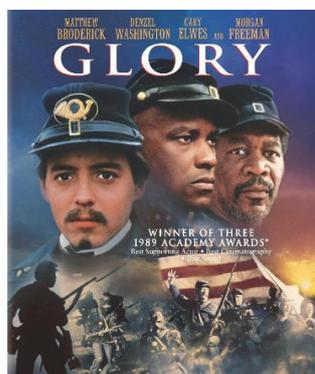
An excellent portrayal of the structure and personnel of the Whitehouse. Offers a brilliant insight into the way America works!



Great dramatisation of the famous interview between British journalist Frost and US president Nixon. Reveals the problems faced by the Nixon administration during the late 1960s and early 1970s



An intense and dramatic representation of the Cuban missile crisis.

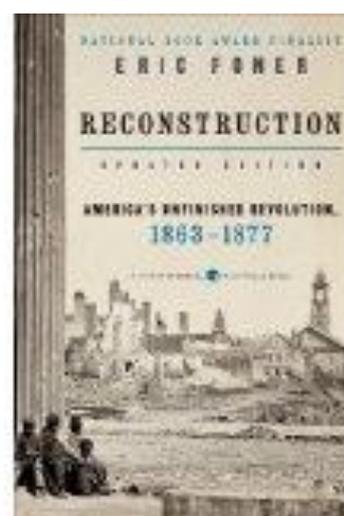
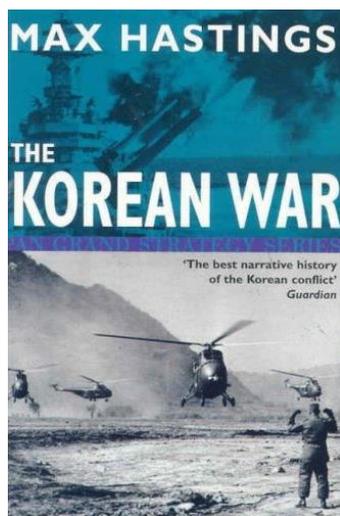
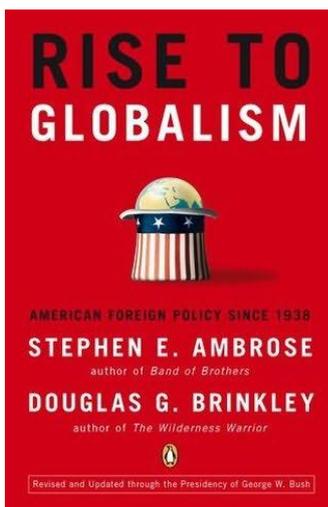
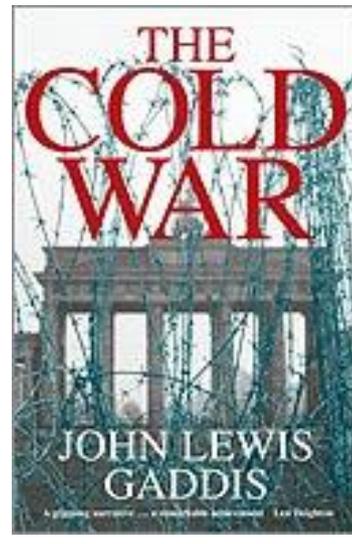
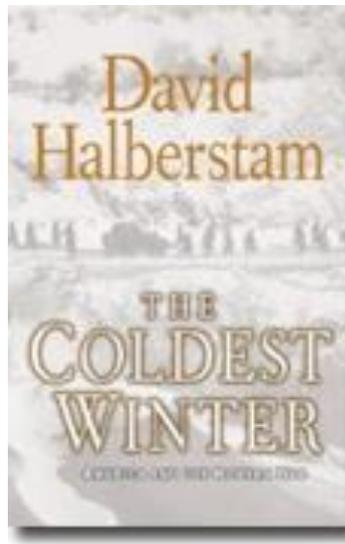
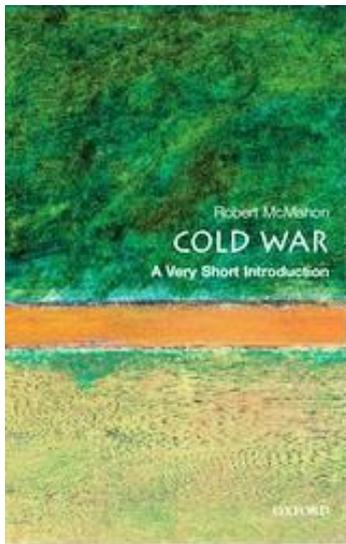
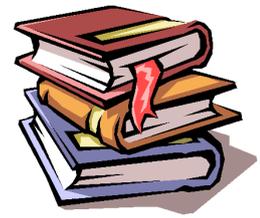


A superb film charting the first black regiment during the American Civil War – a great film to set the scene



An atmospheric portrayal of McCarthy's Red Scare during the 1950s. Good for the extent to which the country was in the grip of this witch hunt.

If you fancy dipping your toes further in to the world of academia, the following make for good light reading:



If you are feeling really adventurous you could visit one or more of the following:

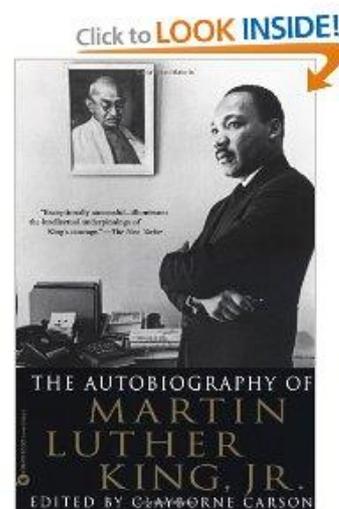
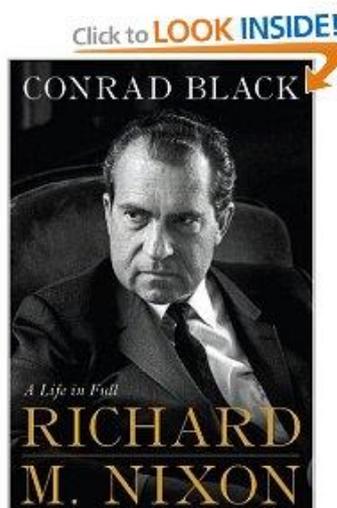
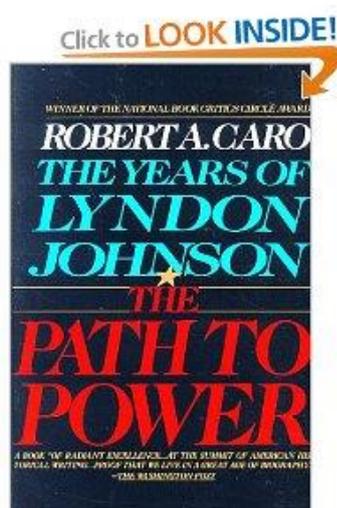
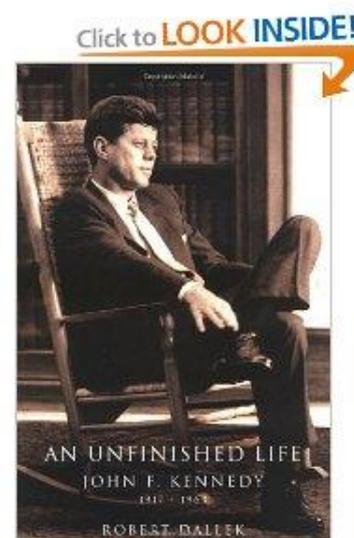
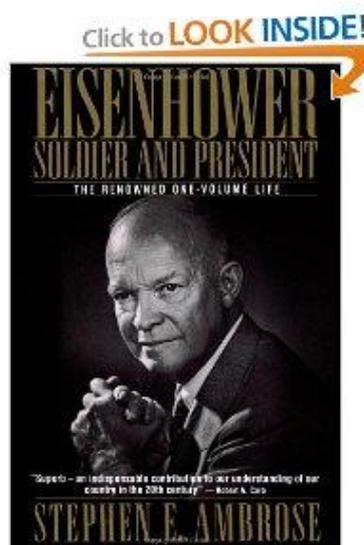
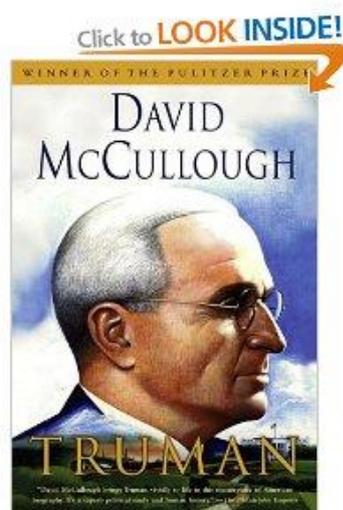
Duxford Air Museum

Imperial War Museum

The USA! ;)



For more in depth reading on some of the key presidents you could try a biography:



You are not expected to go out and spend lots of money on these books, films and visits. All of the materials recommended in this leaflet are not compulsory, but merely recommendations for getting a flavour of some of the themes in this unit. The school library is well stocked. It is worth keeping this leaflet even once your courses have begun in September, as you may want to use some of these materials once you have got going with the course...