Term 1

Unit Title: The Industrial Revolution
Brief Summary: Students investigate how life changed during the Industrial Revolution, including the causes and effects of the development, and the Australian experience.

Unit Outline – Content/Understandings
• The technological innovation that led to the Industrial Revolution, and other conditions that influenced the industrialisation of Britain (ACDSEH017)
• The population movements and changing settlement patterns during this period (ACDSEH080)
• The experiences of men, women and children during the Industrial Revolution, and their changing way of life (ACDSEH081)
• The short- and long-term impacts of the Industrial Revolution, including global changes in landscapes, transport (ACDSEH082)

Term 2

Unit Title: Making a Nation
Brief Summary: Students investigate the history of Australia between 1750 – 1918 in depth.

Unit Outline – Content/Understandings
• The extension of settlement, including the effects of contact (intended and unintended) between European settlers in Australia and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples (ACDSEH030)
• The experiences of non-Europeans in Australia prior to the 1900s (such as the Japanese, South Sea Islanders, Afghans) (ACDSEH089)
• Living and working conditions in Australia around the turn of the twentieth century (ACDSEH090)

Term 3

Unit Title: World War I
Brief Summary: Students investigate key aspects of World War I and the Australian experience of the war, including the nature and significance of the war in world and Australian history.

Unit Outline – Content/Understandings
• An overview of the causes of WWI and the reasons why men enlisted to fight in the war (ACDSEH021)
• The places where Australians fought and the nature of warfare during WWI, including the Gallipoli campaign (ACDSEH095)
• The impact of WWI, with a particular emphasis on Australia including the changing role of women (ACDSEH098)
• The commemoration of WWI, including debates about the nature and significance of the Anzac legend (ACDSEH097)

Term 4

Unit Title: Civics and Citizenship
Brief Summary: Students investigate the role of political parties in Australian elections, the court and justice systems and how individuals influence the decision making and legislative processes.

Unit Outline – Content/Understandings
• The role of political parties and independent representatives in Australia’s system of government, including the formation of governments (ACHCK075)
• How citizens’ political choices are shaped, including the influence of the media (ACHCK076)
• The process through which government policy is shaped and developed, including the role of Prime Minister and Cabinet (ACHCK103)
• The key features of Australia’s court system, including jurisdictions and how courts apply and interpret the law, resolve disputes, and make law through cases (ACHCK104)
Key concepts

Understand:

- The changing movements of people and urbanisation (ACOKFH015)
- How the Industrial Revolutions changed living and working conditions, including in Australia (ACOKFH016)
- How industrialisation benefitted from and grew European imperial expansion (ACOKFH017)
- The nature of economic, social and political ideas emerging in this period, like Marxism, trade unionism and protectionism in Australia (ACOKFH019)

Key concepts

Understand:

- The nature and extent of population movement (convicts, settlers and Aboriginal dispossession) (ACOKFH015)
- European imperial expansion and the stimuli for European settlement of Australia (ACOKFH017)
- The emergence of and attraction to social, economic and political ideas like nationalism, trade unionism and protectionism in Australia (ACOKFH019)

Key concepts

Understand:

- The influences that shape Australia’s political system (ACOKFH016)
- Population movements due to war (ACOKFH015)
- How European imperial expansionist ideologies contributed to WWI (ACOKFH017)
- How war experiences contributed to social and political change (i.e. nationalism, the rise of fascism) (ACOKFH019)

Key concepts

Understand:

- The key principles of Australia’s justice system, including equality before the law, independent judiciary, and right of appeal (ACHCK078)
- How and why individuals and groups, including religious groups, participate in and contribute to civic life (ACHCK079)
- The influence of a range of media, including social media, in shaping identities and attitudes to diversity (ACHCK078)
- How ideas about and experiences of Australian identity are influenced by global connectedness and mobility (ACHCK081)

Assessment Tasks:

- Legislation 1901-1914, including the Harvester Judgement, pensions and the Immigration Restriction Act (ACDSEH092)
- The development of Australian self-government and democracy, including the role founders, key features of constitutional development, the importance of British and Western influences in the formation of Australia’s system of government and women’s voting rights (ACDSEH091)
- The resolution of disputes and the making of laws through judgments (ACHCK077)
- How industrialisation changed the nature of war (ACOKFH016)
- The influences that shape Australia’s political system (ACOKFH016)
- How Australia’s court system endeavours to support a democratic and just society (ACHCK078)
- How people participate in an interconnected world (ACHCK081)
political ideas emerging in this period, like Marxism, trade unionism and universal suffrage (ACOKFH019)

Assessment Tasks:
1. Analytical paragraph sequence on the effects of the Industrial Revolution on people’s lives
2. Source analysis test
3. Group assignment on Australian experiences
4. On-going weekly mini-quizzes
5. Exam

Assessment Tasks:
1. Research essay on different perspectives of European colonisation of Australia
2. Group assignment on one decade of 19th century Australia
3. Source analysis
4. Ongoing weekly mini-quizzes
5. Exam

Assessment Tasks:
1. Group oral presentation on why Australians went to war
2. Case study on Indigenous experiences in WWI
3. In class test (source analysis, short and extended answer sections) on the Home Front
4. Analytical essay on the Anzac legend
5. Ongoing weekly mini-quizzes

Assessment Tasks:
1. Election campaign
2. Ongoing weekly mini-quizzes