

SOCIAL STUDIES (HISTORY) - GRADE 8 2025

TOPIC	ASSESSMENT STANDARDS	PORTFOLIO ASSESSMENT TASKS
PHASE 1 (15 January – 28 March 2025)		
Skills of History	Why we study History	Task 1: Mid Term Test 10 – 14 Feb
	Use of Sources: Reading with Meaning; Bias; Reliability; Usefulness; Language use; etc	
Colonisation	Definitions; Reasons for Colonisation; Voyages of Discovery; Role of European empires; Consequences.	
Anglo – Zulu War	Colony of Natal; Reasons for the war; Battles of Isandhlwana and Rorke’s Drift	Task 2: Control test 3 – 7 Mar
PHASE 2 (8 April – 27 June 2025)		
History of Westville Boys’ High	Growth of the School	Task 3: Mid Term Test 12 – 23 May
	The Badge; Houses; Swain Bell; traditions, etc	
Early Westville	Origins; Outspan Tree; Landmarks; etc	Task 4: June Control Test 17 – 27 June
PHASE 3 (22 July – 21 November 2025)		
World War One And The Treaty of Versailles	Causes	Task 5: Mid Term Test 11– 15 Aug
	Features	
	Events	Task 6: Control Test 1 – 5 Sept
	Results	Task 7: November Exams 10 – 21 Nov