





for class-run quiz

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I know you are about to start a new history topic and I am interested in the impact these lessons will have on your historical understanding and your involvement in democracy and politics. To do that, I would like you to complete this survey both before the lessons begin and again at the end of these lessons.

Your teacher is going to run this quiz now. Just be honest with your answers – this is not a test. You might find the questions especially hard the first time as you have not studied the topic yet, but hopefully it will be easier the second time. I will not be making any judgements about what you have written – I am simply interested in your ideas. You do not have to give your name, so your answers will be anonymous.

If you would still prefer for me not to see your answers you can tell your teacher this and they will not send your answers.

Hope you are ready

for survey set as HW

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Your teacher is going to give you a link to an online survey – it should take about 20 minutes. You can skip questions and return to them later.

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for control group

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I want you to act as a control group. What this means is that I can compare your answers with a group that has studied a different topic to you, elsewhere in the country.

Your teacher is going to run this quiz now. Just be honest with your answers – this is not a test. You might find the questions especially hard as you have not studied the topic, and because you are the control group it might still be hard 2nd time round. Do not worry about this – your answers are still really valuable as they allow us to measure the impact of the lessons in other schools. Also, I will not be making any judgements about what you have written – I am simply interested in your ideas. You do not have to give your name, so your answers will be anonymous.

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