CAMBRIDGE HOUSE GRAMMAR SCHOOL REVISION CHECKLIST

YEAR 8 HISTORY

Winter 2026

Your Winter Examination will assess your knowledge and understanding of the topics listed (below).

Use this checklist to help you with your revision and identify any gaps in your knowledge.

I can:	✓	x
1. Describe the job description of a historian		
2. Explain the phrase "Detective of the Past"		
3. Explain why the "Bodies in the Bog" is an important example of being a "detective of the past"		
4. Describe what an archaeologist does & what an archaeological site looks like		
5. Explain what is meant by the term "Chronology"		
6. Place events in the correct chronological order using a timeline drawn to scale		
7. Choose the most suitable units of time for measuring events		
8. Explain which century a chosen year is in & can give examples of years within a given century		
9. Explain what is meant by an anachronism & give suitable examples of my own		
10. Examine a photograph & suggest what is happening now, what possibly happened before & what may happen next		
11. Explain the difference between primary & secondary evidence & give suitable examples of both		
12. Identify the four main categories of evidence – physical, visual, oral & written		
13. Explain why some sources of evidence can have problems & what the nature of the problem is (reliability)		
14. Define the term "bias" & identify examples of when it occurs		
15. Identify the reasons why different groups of people have migrated to the British Isles over the last 3000 years		
16. Explain who the Normans were & what they were like as people		
17. Illustrate the chronology of migration into Ireland over the last 3000 years		
18. Appreciate the importance of the Bayeux Tapestry as evidence about the Normans		
19. Identify the qualities needed to be a Medieval King		