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## Concepts in History: Inquiry Questions

### Cause and Effect

- What were the causes of? Long term.... Short term..... Catalyst?
- What were the short term and long term effects of .....?
- What was the impact of.....upon.....?
- What motivates people to act as they do?

### Change and Continuity

- What changed?
- What stayed the same?
- Is change a continuous process?
- What prevents change from occurring?

### Contestability

- Why are there different interpretations of the past?
- Why is it useful to consider the views of others?
- Is one interpretation more valid than another?

### Empathy

- What was it like to lives in times past?
- How are our lives similar to those who lived in the past?
- How are our lives different from those who lived in the past?
- Can we really know what happened in the past?
- Why do we treat others as we do?

### Evidence

- What is a primary source?
- What is a secondary source
- What is bias and how do we detect it?
- How useful is a source as evidence of...?
- How reliable is the source?

### Perspectives

- Why are there different stories/narratives of the past?
- Why is it useful to listen to the stories of others that may be different from our own?
- How and why do stories change



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### **Significance**

- What makes something significant?
- What makes one event, person, thing or idea more significant than another?
- What makes something insignificant?