

Why Study History?

Top 5 Reasons

Directions: listed below are different reasons why you should study history. Read the statements and choose the five that you think are the most important reason to study history. Once you have chosen your top five reasons, rank them from most important (1) to least important (5).

____ History gives you an opportunity to develop basic reading, writing and analytical thinking skills.

____ History helps you better understand human beings, and in the process of understanding other, better understand yourself as an individual.

____ History helps you understand people who are different.

____ History allows you to gain perspective and learn to see a bigger picture.

____ History inspires you.

____ History can help you connect to those who have lived before you.

____ History is entertaining and fun.

____ History helps us understand people and societies.

____ History helps us understand change and how the society we live in came to be.

____ History contributes to moral understanding.

____ History provides identity.

____ Studying history is essential for good citizenship.

____ History is useful in the world of work.

Illustrated Spectrum



Create an illustrated spectrum showing the statements you chose from most important to least important. Write 2-3 sentences next to each statement explaining why you placed it where you did. Illustrate your spectrum with a picture for each statement.

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