

History and the Concept of 'Time'

Chapter 2: History and the Concept of 'Time' · Topic 1

Key Concept

A century is a period of 100 years, and historians often group events by which century they occurred in for organisation.

Chronology means arranging events in the order they occurred, from earliest to latest, helping us understand historical sequence.

Historical time is often divided into periods or eras, like ancient, medieval, and modern, each with distinct characteristics.

Understanding the concept of time in history helps us see how far back events happened and how they relate to each other.

Quick Revision Notes

- A century = 100 years.
- Historians group events by century.
- Chronology: arranging events in order.
- This helps understand historical sequence.
- Time divided into periods/eras.
- Examples: ancient, medieval, modern.
- Each era has distinct characteristics.
- This helps relate events to each other.

Practice Questions

- 1 Arrange three historical events in chronological order.
- 2 Discuss what a century means.
- 3 Name the three broad historical eras.
- 4 Research an event and identify its era.
- 5 Create a simple timeline of your own life.
- 6 Explain chronology in your own words.