Year 8 Revision Checklist 2025

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| **Topic: Battles of 1066 – Stamford Bridge and Hastings** | **Write down any points you need help with** |
| Understand and explain the claims of Harold Godwin, Harold Hardrada, William and Edgar to the English throne, in 1066. |  |
| Understand and explain the events of the battle at Stamford Bridge and the reasons for Harold’s success |  |
| Understand and explain the events of the Battle of Hastings and the tactics used by Harold and William |  |
| Explain how Harold Earl of Godwin died |  |
| **Topic: Castles – Motte and Bailey and Stone** | **Write down any points you need help with** |
| Understand and explain why Normans built castles |  |
| Understand and explain when and where Norman castles were built |  |
| Understand and explain the key parts of a Motte and Bailey Castle. |  |
| Understand and explain the strengths and weaknesses of a Motte and Bailey Castle. |  |
| Understand and explain the key parts of a Stone Castle. |  |
| **Topic: Attacking and defending a castle** | **Write down any points you need help with** |
| Understand and explain the methods used by Normans to attack castles. |  |
| Understand and explain what a siege was. |  |
| Understand and explain the methods used to defend castles. |  |
| **Topic: Life in a Castle** | **Write down any points you need help with** |
| Understand and explain who lived in a castle and what their jobs were |  |
| Understand and explain the main rooms in the castle |  |
| **Source skills - CAD**  Content – What does the source tell us about…?  Author - Who was/is the author of the source?  Date - When was the source written?  Is the source primary or secondary?  Can we trust the source? Strengths and limitations |  |