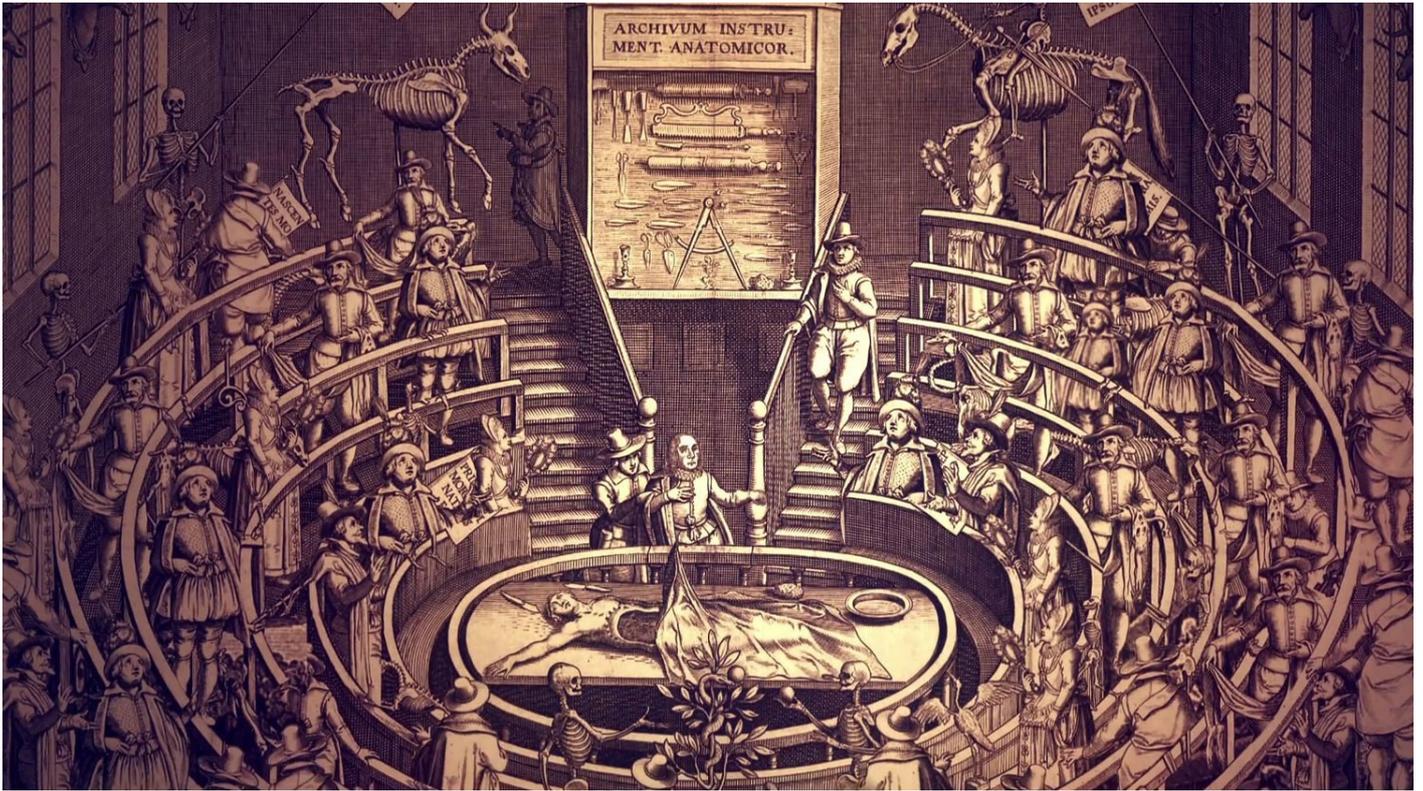


History



GCSE Revision Booklet

Medicine in Britain, c1250–present and The British sector of the Western Front 1914-1918

NAME:

Medicine in Britain c1250 to present

Topics you need to know

1250-1500: Medicine in Medieval England

Ideas about the causes of disease:

- ◇ Supernatural and religious explanations of disease: The Theory of the 4 Humours; miasma theory; influence of Hippocrates and Galen.

Prevention and treatment:

- ◇ Religious actions, bloodletting, purging, purifying the air and the use of traditional remedies.
- ◇ Hospital care in the 13th century. The role of the physician, apothecary and barber surgeon, alongside care provided within the community and in hospitals.

Case study:

- ◇ Dealing with the Black Death 1348-49 treatments and attempts to prevent its spread.

1500-1700: Medical Renaissance in England

Ideas about the causes of disease:

- ◇ Continuity and change in explanations.
- ◇ A scientific approach - Thomas Sydenham and improvements in diagnosis.
- ◇ The printing press and Royal Society help the spread of ideas.

Prevention and treatment:

- ◇ Continuity in prevention and treatment and care in the community and in hospitals.
- ◇ Change in care and treatment: improvements in training and the influence of Vesalius.

Case studies:

- ◇ Key individual: William Harvey and the circulation of the blood.
- ◇ Dealing with the Great Plague of 1665 – treatments and attempts to prevent its spread.

1700-1900: Medicine in 18th and 19th century Britain

Ideas about the causes of disease:

- ◇ Continuity and change in explanations.
- ◇ Pasteur's Germ Theory and Koch's work on microbes.

Prevention and treatment:

- ◇ Extent of change in care and treatment: Improvements in hospital care and the influence of Florence Nightingale.
- ◇ The impact of anaesthetics and antiseptics on surgery.
- ◇ New approaches to prevention: the development and use of vaccinations and the Public Health Act of 1875

Case studies:

- ◇ Key individual: Edward Jenner and the development of vaccination
- ◇ Fighting cholera in London, 1854; attempts to prevent its spread; John Snow and the Broad Street Pump

1900-present: Medicine in modern Britain

Ideas about the causes of disease:

- ◇ Advances in understanding the causes of disease: the influence of genetic and lifestyle factors on health.
- ◇ Improvements in diagnosis: the impact of blood tests, scans and monitors

Prevention and treatment:

- ◇ Impact of the NHS, science and technology and improved access to care
- ◇ Advances in medicines, including magic bullets and antibiotics
- ◇ High-tech medical and surgical treatment in hospitals
- ◇ New methods of prevention: mass vaccination and government lifestyle campaigns

Case studies:

- ◇ Key individuals: Fleming, Florey and Chain's development of penicillin
- ◇ The fight against lung cancer in the 21st century – science & technology vs. government action

The British Sector of the Western Front 1914-1918

The context of the British sector of the Front and the theatre of war in Flanders and northern France

- The Ypres salient, the Somme, Arras and Cambrai
- The trench system – construction, organisation, including frontline and support trenches
- The use of mines at Hill 60 near Ypres and the expansion of tunnels, caves and quarries at Arras
- Significance for medical treatment of the nature of the terrain and problems of the transport and communications infrastructure

Conditions requiring medical treatment on the Western Front

- Problems of ill health arising from the trench environment
- Nature of wounds from rifles and explosives
- Problem of shrapnel, wound infection and increased numbers of head injuries
- The effects of gas attacks

The work of the RAMC and FANY

- The system of transport; stretcher bearers, horse and motor ambulances
- The stages of treatment areas: aid post and field ambulance, dressing station, casualty clearing station and base hospital.
- The underground hospital at Arras.

The significance of the Western Front for experiments in surgery and medicine

- New techniques in the treatment of wounds and infection
- The Thomas splint
- The use of mobile x-rays
- Creation of a blood bank for the Battle of Cambrai

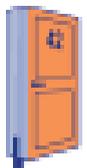
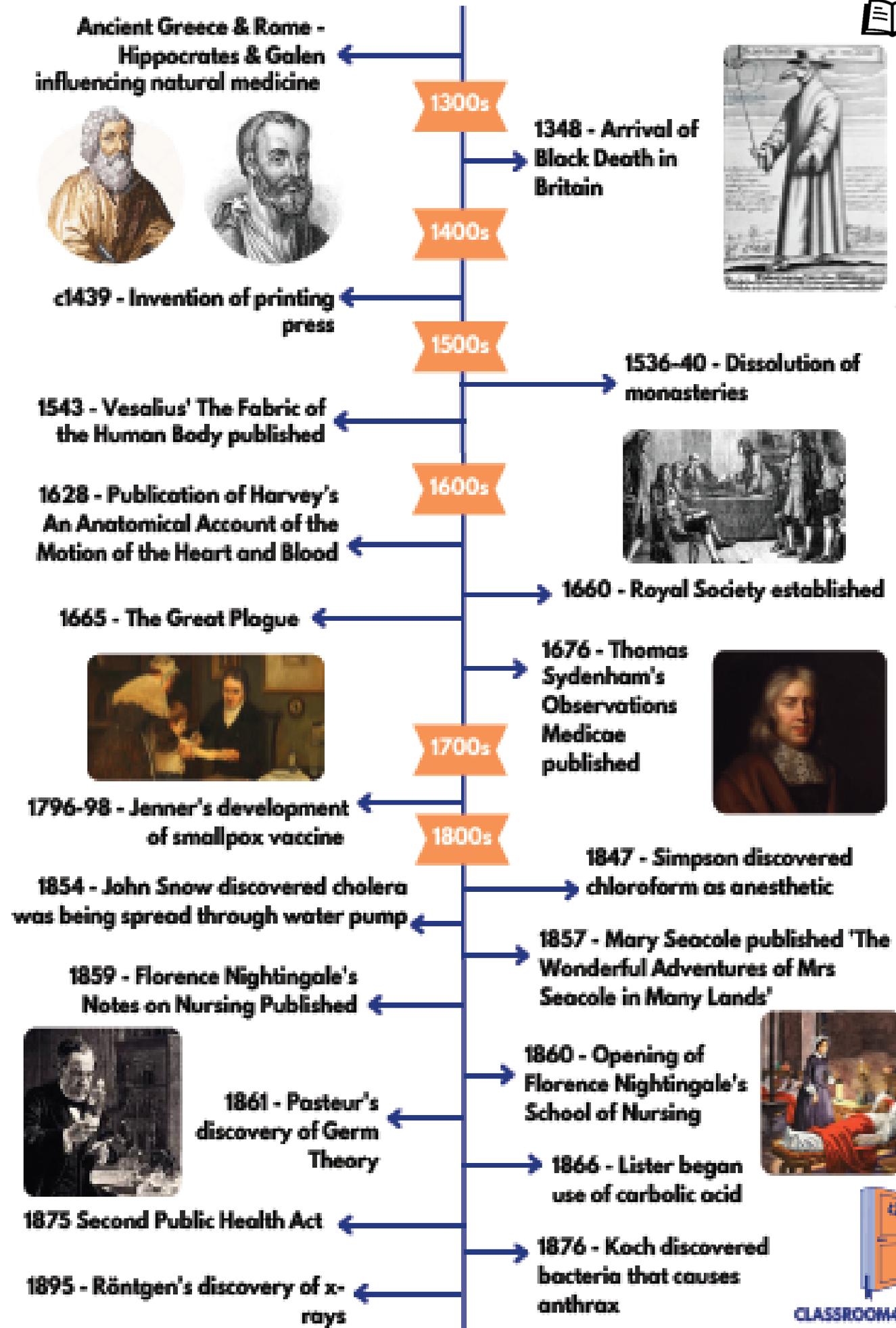
The historical context of medicine in the early 20th century

- The understanding of infection and moves towards aseptic surgery
- The development of x-rays
- Blood transfusions and developments in the storage of blood

Knowledge selection and the use of sources for historical enquiries

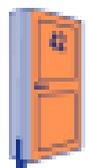
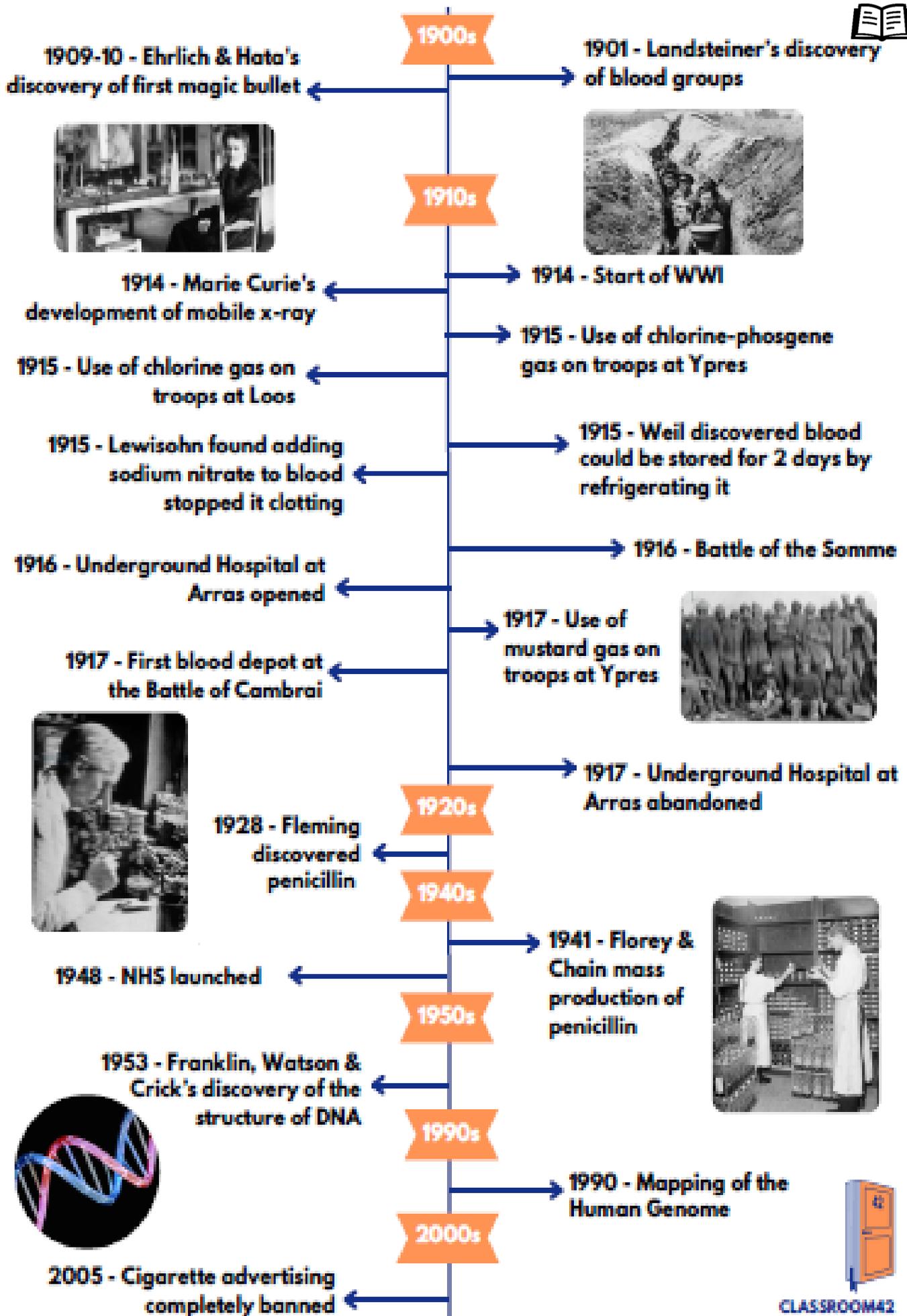
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- Knowledge of local sources relevant to the period and issue, e.g. personal accounts, photographs, hospital records, army statistics
- Recognition of the strengths and weaknesses of different types of source for specific enquiries
- Framing of questions for a specific enquiry
- Selection of appropriate sources for specific investigations

Timeline 1250– present



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Key Individuals

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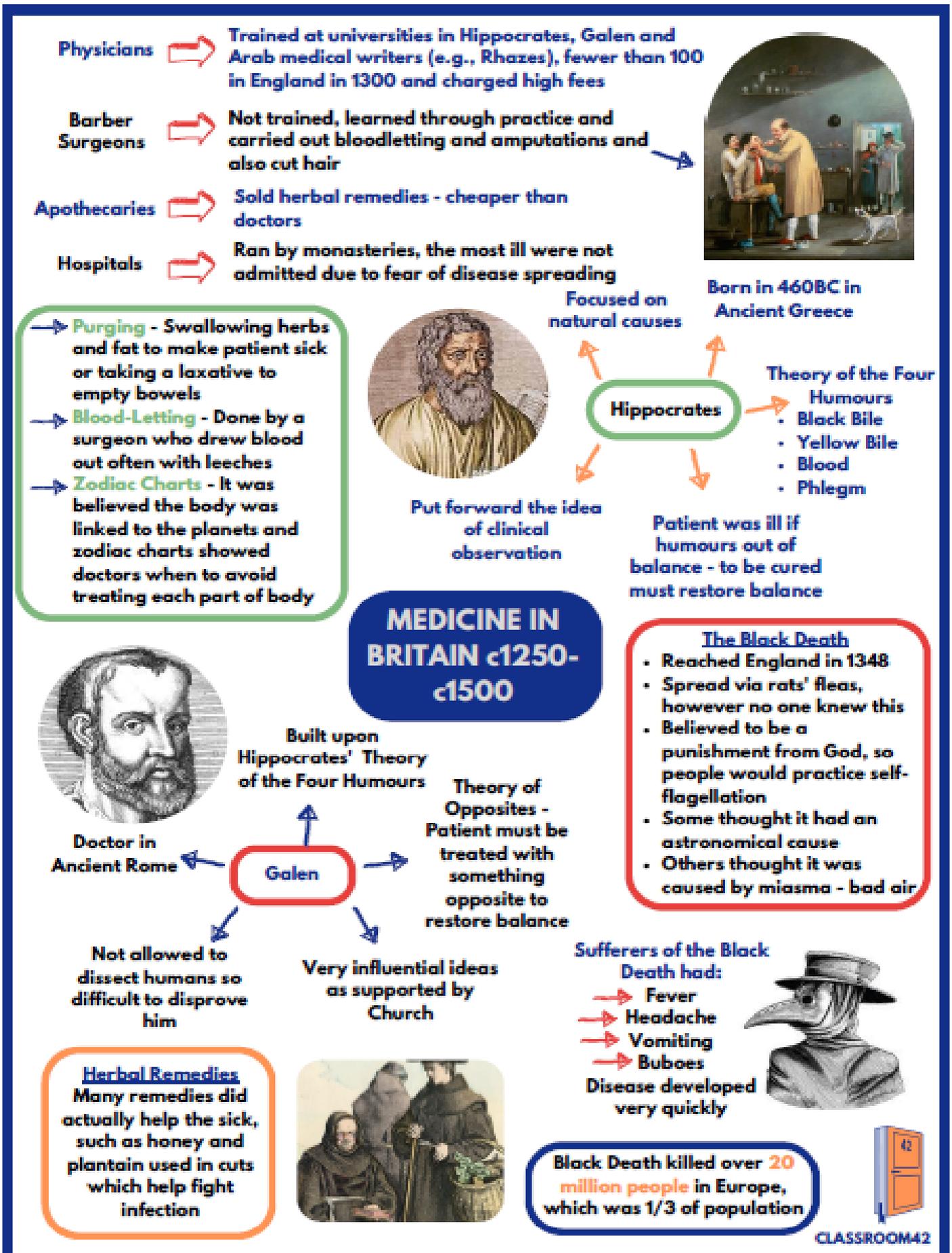
Key individual	Time Period	What did they do and when did they do it (Specific years)?
Hippocrates	Medieval	
Galen	Medieval	
Andreas Vesalius	Renaissance	
William Harvey	Renaissance	
Thomas Sydenham	Renaissance	
Edward Jenner	Industrial	
Louis Pasteur	Industrial	
Robert Koch	Industrial	

Key Individuals

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James Simpson	Industrial	
John Snow	Industrial	<i>(There's two things here)</i>
Joseph Lister	Industrial	
Florence Nightingale	Industrial	
Ehrlich & Hata	Modern	
Alexander Fleming	Modern	
Florey and Chain	Modern	
Crick & Watson	Modern	

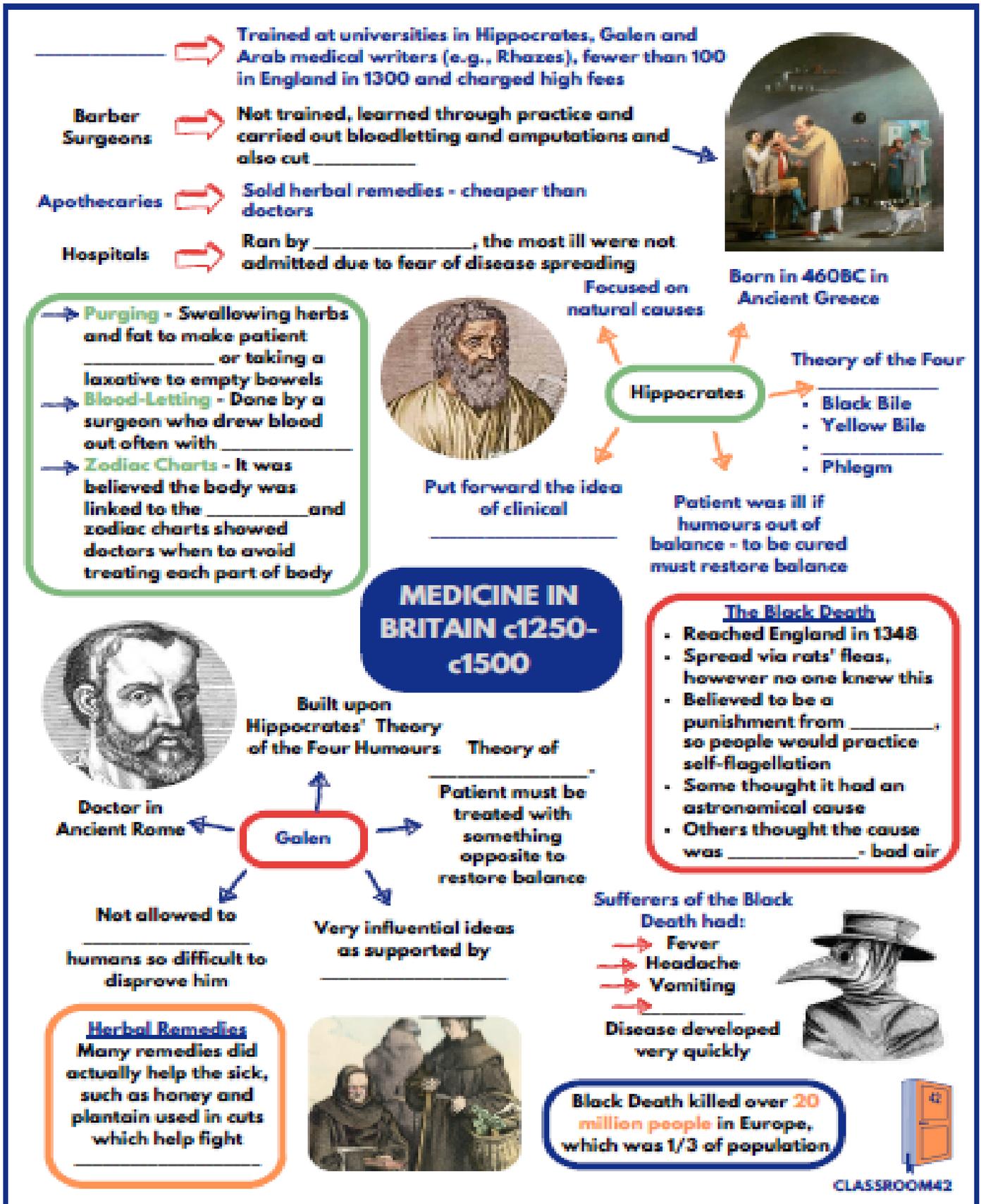
Medieval Medicine (1250-1500) - General Revision

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3. What theory did Galen propose, building on Hippocrates ideas?

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10. Give one symptom of the black death:

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Medieval Medicine (1250-1500) - Revision Review

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Sub-topic	Confidence Level
The Four Humours, Hippocrates & Galen	
Medieval Causes	
Medieval Treatments	
Medieval Healers	
Medieval Preventions	
The Black Death	

Medicine in Britain c1250-c1500

Answers

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Black bile, yellow bile, blood and phlegm

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Theory of Opposites

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Miasma

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Barber Surgeons

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Herbal Remedies

8. What was the practice of getting patients to swallow herbs and fat to make them sick?

Purgings

9. Who ran hospitals in c1250-c1500?

Monasteries

10. Give one symptom of the black death:

Any from: Fever, headache, vomiting, buboes



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Renaissance Medicine (1500-1700) - General Revision

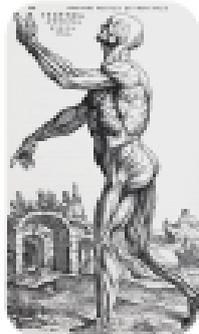


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- Hospitals were then run by physicians rather than monks and focused on treatment

Royal Society
 Founded in 1660 and sponsored scientists to study physics, astronomy, botany and medicine

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Catholic Church forbade human dissection

A judge allowed Vesalius to dissect executed criminals

Vesalius

Vesalius used evidence to disprove Galen's theories e.g. that the jawbone was made of two bones as this was true for the animals he dissected

- Paracelsus - Swiss doctor in early 1500s who criticised
- Theory of Four Humours and argued illness was caused and should be treated by chemicals
- Ideas were rejected

Demonstrated importance of anatomical knowledge

In 1543 Vesalius published 'The Fabric of the Human Body'



MEDICINE IN BRITAIN c1500- c1700



Thomas Sydenham - English doctor in late 1600s
 Believed observation was essential and wrote book *Observationes Medicae* (1676) which described how to diagnose disease



Great Plague of 1665

- Cause of spread was still not understood
- Approx. 75,000 people died from the Great Plague in London
- Miasma still popular belief
- Stray animals were killed but this made plague spread faster as cats killed rats

Book 'An Anatomical Account of the Motion of the Heart and Blood' 1628 allowed ideas to spread

English doctor born in 1578

Carried out dissections on animals and humans

Challenged Galen's idea that blood was produced in liver and absorbed by body

Harvey

Ideas not immediately accepted

Proved heart acted like a pump and blood moved in a one way system around body



Renaissance Medicine (1500-1700) - General Revision

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Renaissance Medicine (1500-1700) - General Revision

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Medicine in Britain c1500-c1700

Quiz Questions

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1. When was the Royal Society founded?

2. Who ran hospitals after 1530s?

3. Name one aspect of the heart that William Harvey proved.

4. Approximately how many people died from the Great Plague in London?

5. What was invented in c1439 that helped medicine develop?

6. What book did Vesalius publish in 1543?

7. True or False? Vesalius used animal dissection to disprove some of Galen's theories.

8. Which doctor wrote the book 'Observationes Medicae'?

9. When did Harvey publish his book 'An Anatomical Account of the Motion of the Heart and Blood'?

10. Which Swiss doctor argued that illness was caused by chemicals and should be treated with chemicals in 1500s?



Renaissance Medicine (1500-1700) - Revision Review

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Sub-topic	Confidence Level
Key individuals (Vesalius, Harvey and Sydenham)	
Factors affecting progress	
Causes and Treatments	
Great Plague of 1665	

Medicine in Britain c1500-c1700

Answers

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1. When was the Royal Society founded?

1660

2. Who ran hospitals after 1530s?

Physicians

3. Name one aspect of the heart that William Harvey proved.

It worked like a pump/blood moved in a one way system

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Paracelsus

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Industrial Medicine (1700-1900) - General Revision



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Industrial Medicine (1700-1900) - General Revision

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- In 1842 Chadwick compiled a report on _____ conditions of poor citizens
- Argued there should be organised drainage and refuse collection and clean _____
- 1848 outbreak of cholera pressured government to pass **Public Health Act** - but was not compulsory
- Second Public Health Act 1875** - forced authorities to provide clean water and sewerage systems

Published _____ in 1861 but spontaneous generation belief still popular



French chemist and microbiologist in mid-late 1800s



Louis Pasteur

Robert Koch

- German doctor and microbiologist in late 1800s
- Applied Germ Theory to prove how bacteria caused disease and identified bacteria that caused anthrax, TB and _____
- Found a way of isolating _____ making it easier for future scientists
- Discovered using dyes to stain microbes



In 1879 discovered exposing the germ that caused chicken cholera to air weakened it and injecting this weakened version prevented the disease - **vaccine**

In 1847 Simpson first used _____ successfully and was used for childbirth and operations



MEDICINE IN BRITAIN c1700-c1900

John Snow

Published 'On the Mode of Communication of Cholera' 1849

Cholera outbreak in 1854 in Soho

Discovered a _____ was cause of spread, when pump was removed spread reduced

However, could not explain why cholera was waterborne

Mary Seacole

- In 1854 she travelled to England and asked to be sent to _____ to care for soldiers but was refused
- Funded her own trip and established the **British Hotel** to provide care for soldiers
- In 1857 published 'The Wonderful Adventures of Mrs Seacole in Many Lands'

Jenner heard _____ would not catch smallpox, but a milder form of cowpox



Florence Nightingale

- In 1854 during the Crimean War she went to Turkey and cared for wounded soldiers
- She significantly **improved** _____ in the hospital e.g., washing bedding
- She also suggested opening the windows to circulate air and better quality food
- In 1859 wrote 'Notes on Nursing' which was a bestseller

Very influential - _____ had French army vaccinated by 1805

Edward Jenner

In 1796, Jenner injected James Phipps with pus from a milkmaid's sores, then smallpox - Phipps developed cowpox but not smallpox





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Industrial Medicine (1700-1900) - General Revision

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Medicine in Britain c1700-c1900

Quiz Questions

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2. Who applied Germ Theory and identified the bacteria that causes TB, anthrax and cholera?

3. What was successfully used as an anesthetic in 1847 for childbirth and operations?

4. Who first used the anesthetic mentioned above?

5. What did John Snow discover was the cause of a major cholera outbreak in 1854?

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8. Name one improvement Florence Nightingale suggested in hospitals during the Crimean War:

9. What was the name of the establishment Mary Seacole opened to help soldiers during the Crimean War?

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Sub-topic	Confidence Level
Edward Jenner	
Spontaneous generation and germ theory	
Improvements in surgery	
John Snow	
Florence Nightingale	
Public Health	
Vaccination campaigns	

Medicine in Britain c1700-c1900

Answers

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Louis Pasteur

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Robert Koch

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Chloroform

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James Simpson

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Water Pump

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James Phipps

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Any from: washing bedding, opening windows, better food

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British Hotel

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1875

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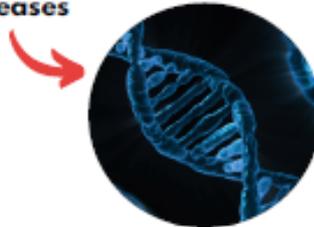
Modern Medicine (1900 - present) - General Revision

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People better understood how lifestyle can cause disease:

- Smoking
- Poor diet
- Alcohol
- Pollution
- Stress

Franklin, Watson & Crick mapped out structure of **DNA** in 1953 - led to better understanding of genetic diseases



Magic Bullets - idea of killing germs inside body without harming healthy tissue

Ehrlich and Hata tested various substances that could be used to cure a rabbit from **syphilis**

They found **Salvarsan** worked - this was the first magic bullet which went onto the market in 1910

Booth and Rowntree published reports to demonstrate need for a welfare state



NHS

Bevan (Minister of Health) launched creation of NHS in 1948

Made healthcare free at the point of delivery

Introduced healthy living campaigns - Smokefree and Change4Life

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MEDICINE IN BRITAIN c1900-PRESENT



Lung Cancer

- In 1950 the British Medical Research Council published research connecting lung cancer to smoking
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- In 2005 cigarette advertising was completely banned
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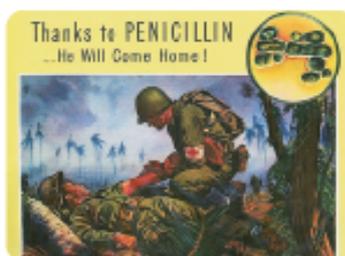
Alexander Fleming

In 1928 Fleming left a window open in his lab and bacteria had been killed by a mould - penicillin

Margaret Hutchinson Rousseau
Developed technology to mass produce penicillin

Florey & Chain

They were given funding by government to produce penicillin for war
In 1941 USA entered war and gave \$80 million to fund research
By 1943 penicillin was mass produced



Current treatments for lung cancer:

- Radiotherapy
- Chemotherapy
- Transplant
- Immunotherapy



Modern Medicine (1900 - present) - General Revision

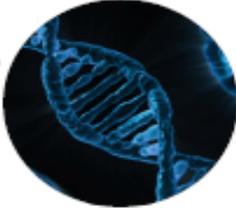
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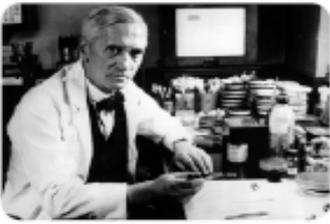
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MEDICINE IN BRITAIN c1900-PRESENT

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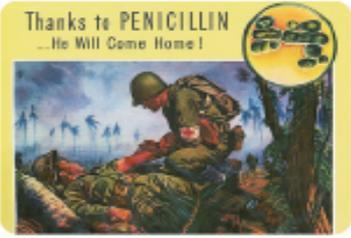
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Modern Medicine (1900 - present) - General Revision

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Medicine in Britain c1900-Present Quiz Questions

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1. When was the NHS launched?

2. Who discovered blood groups in 1901?

3. Give one current treatment for lung cancer.

4. How much does each lung cancer patient cost the NHS?

5. What did Fleming accidentally discover after leaving a window open in his lab?

6. Name one individual who published a report demonstrating the need for a welfare state.

7. The first magic bullet helped to cure which disease?

8. Which individuals mapped out the structure of DNA in 1953?

9. Name one lifestyle aspect that is now understood to cause disease.

10. When did Röntgen discover X-rays?



Modern Medicine (1900 - present) - General Revision

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Sub-topic	Confidence Level
Magic bullets	
Penicillin	
Introduction of NHS	
Discovery of DNA	
Causes of disease & diagnosis	
Prevention of disease	
Fight against Lung Cancer (Case study)	

Medicine in Britain c1900-Present

Answers

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1. When was the NHS launched?

1948

2. Who discovered blood groups in 1901?

Landsteiner

3. Give one current treatment for lung cancer.

Radiotherapy, chemotherapy, transplant, immunotherapy

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Around £9,000

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Rowntree, Booth

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BRITISH SECTOR OF THE WESTERN FRONT 1914-18 P2

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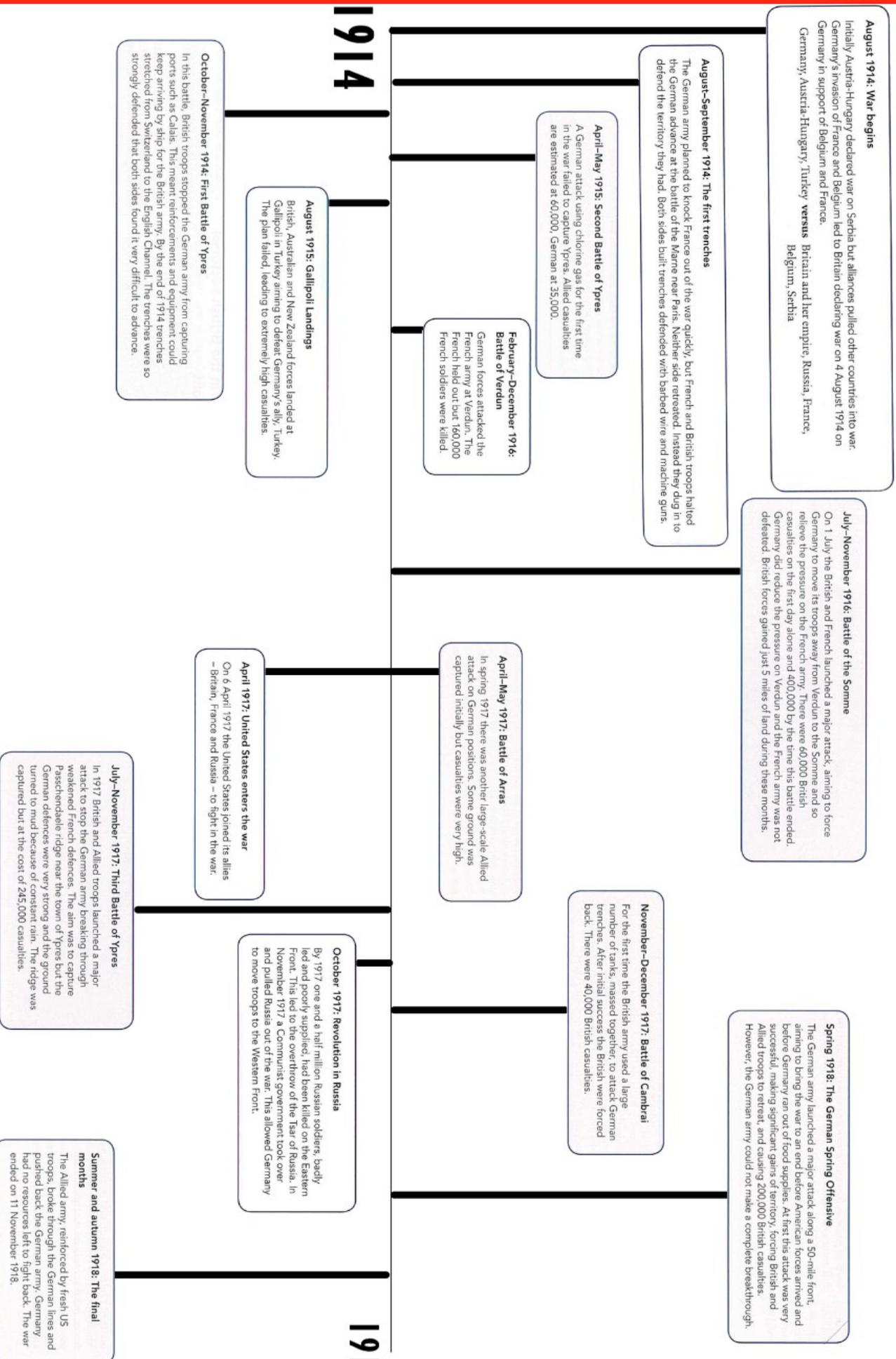
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Overview of the First World War 1914-18



British Sector of the Western Front - Revision Review

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As you are watching it, note down 5 facts about each stage. This could be anything from how far from the front line it was, what treatments they gave there or what injuries they could deal with. **All of the information can be discovered using the video.**



Front Line

Stage 1—Regimental Aid Post (RAP)

Stage 2—Dressing Station

Stage 3—Casualty clearing Stations (CCS)

Stage 4—Base Hospitals