

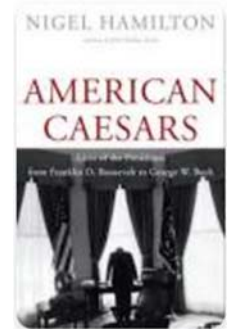
## Extra reading, watching, listening and places to visit:

All of the books, videos, podcasts and historical sites below will give fantastic background knowledge and experiences which will help you with your study of the Tudors and the American Dream unit you'll be studying. You don't have to take notes while reading, listening or watching: just enjoy them. When we study the Tudors and the American Dream you'll be able to match up what you've read, heard, seen, and experienced to what you will learn about in lessons.

### Extra reading

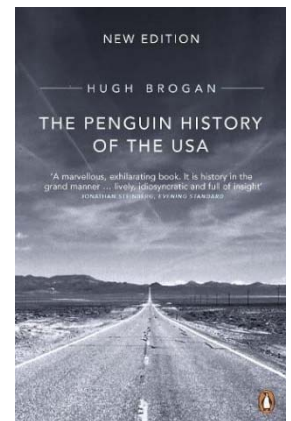
*American Caesars: Lives of the US Presidents* by Nigel Hamilton.

This book covers each of the Presidents of the USA until George W. Bush. The book does an excellent job of charting how these men became President, what they managed to do as President, all the good and bad, but then also who they were as individuals. It will give you insight and knowledge into the Presidents you'll be studying in the American Dream unit.



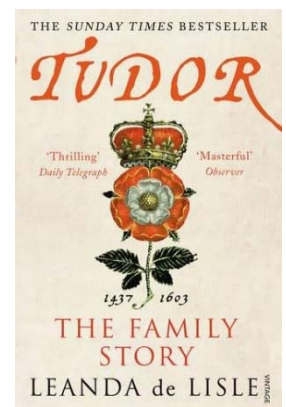
*The Penguin History of the United States of America* by Hugh Brogan.

This book charts the early British and European pilgrimages to America all the way through to President Reagan and does a great job of presenting the growth of the USA from various perspectives. Hugh Brogan captures an array of personalities, events, and details in fantastic detail and will aid your knowledge of the period immensely.



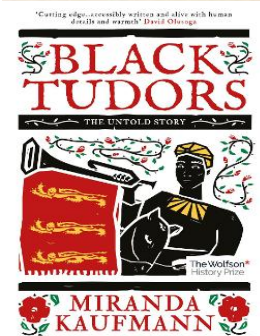
*Tudor: The Family Story* by Leande de Lisle.

There are so many books on the Tudors and their dynasty that it's hard to know where to begin, but a good starting point is this book by Leande de Lisle. Leande chronicles the rise of the Tudors, not from the battle of Bosworth, but from their Welsh origins all the way through to the death of Elizabeth I. This book will give you an invaluable overview of the Tudors themselves, key personalities and details which will help you with the topic.



*Black Tudors: The Untold Story* by Miranda Kaufmann.

This book will give you an overview of Tudor life, but from a much-understudied point of view of black Tudors. Kaufmann does a thorough job of studying how they lived, their trials and how they fit into Tudor society on a wider scale.



### Extra watching and listening

*Wolf Hall* by the BBC on BBC iPlayer.

This is an adaptation of Hilary Mantel's groundbreaking work on the rise of Thomas Cromwell under Henry VIII and how he influenced the court, the King and the country at large. There are plenty of costume dramas set in a historical timeframe, but this is easily one of the best and very relevant for what you'll study.



*All the Presidents Men*, film.

There are hundreds of films which cover the American timeframe you'll be studying so finding where to begin is quite tricky, so this is a personal recommendation of *All the Presidents Men*. In the second year of the course you'll study Watergate and this film concerns the uncovering of the conspiracy by two journalists and the aftermath of the event. The QR code will take you to the Amazon store where you can rent or buy the movie.



*Presidential: a podcast* by Washington Post.

This podcast by the Washing Post has a long episode on each of the Presidents with an episode being roughly an hour in length. It covers how they became President, what they did as President from the good to the awful, and also what they do post Presidency. An excellent resource led by experts on each President with various guests who worked with and have studied each President. The QR code takes you to the host website where you can then access the streaming on whichever service you use.



### Places to visit

Hampton Court Palace in London.

Hampton Court Palace was the home of Henry VIII following the downfall of Cardinal Thomas Wolsey and where the majority of his reign occurred. It was the home of his six wives, his children and where he met with his government, so is the heart of all things Tudor. The palace then continued in royal hands, but the Historic Royal Palaces who currently own the palace, put on regular exhibitions, allow you into where he and other Tudors lived and guide you through the period in incredible detail. The QR code takes you to the website for the Hampton Court Palace.



Tudor properties owned by the National Trust.

The majority of major Tudor properties are now owned by the National Trust. Their website is very user friendly so follow the QR code to see which properties they've highlighted as places of particular importance. Personally, I highly recommend Oxburgh Hall in Norfolk as a way to experience and understand the dedication many showed to Catholicism during the religious turmoil of the Tudors.



*American Dream unit*

As you can imagine, finding places to visit to get a better understanding for the American Dream unit is rather tricky in Britain, so I recommend the Imperial War Museum Duxford and London as they have American specific exhibits. The QR code will take you to the Imperial War Museum website itself.

