# Unit Y208: philip ii 1556-1598

Note: Based on 2x 50 minute lessons per week

Terms based on 6 term year.

| **Key Topic** | **Term** | **Week Number** | **Indicative Content** | **Extended Content** | **Resources** |
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| **Political authority**  | 1 | 1 | Legacy of Charles I | * Spain’s relations with other European empires
* Philip’s regency in Spain 1543-1556
* Problems inherited: land, finance, threat of Islam and growth of Protestantism
* Counter Reformation
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* *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt
* *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall
* *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward
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|  | 2 | condition of Spain, ‘absolutism’, the conciliar system, centralisation, methods and style of government  | * Population, religion, economy
* Key features and beliefs of ‘absolutism’
* Juntas
* Central control from Madrid, decline in the power of the Cortes
* Dominance of Castile
* Development of the Conciliar System
* Philips’ ministries
* Power of the aristocracy
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|  | 3 | financial and social policies  | * Debts inherited and suspension of payments
* Attempts to bring down expenses
* Increasing income from empire
* Taxes e.g. alcabala, millones, Cruzada
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|  |  | 5 | advisers, factions e.g. Ruy Gomez, Gonzalo and Antonio Perez, Escobedo  | * Role, power and unpopularity of key advisers e.g. Perez, Escobedo
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|  |  | 5 | justice  | * Courts system
* Debate over whether Philip was ‘most just of all rulers’
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|  |  | 5 | the fates of Don Carlos and Montigny  | * Don Carlos’ death and reaction,
* Decision to execute Montigny
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|  |  | 6 | provincialism, revolts of the Moriscos (1568) and of Aragon (1590)  | * Reasons for Philip’s intervention in Aragon
* Rule over the Justiciar
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|  |  | 6 | Government, law and order, finances and economy in 1598.  | * Centralisation of government
* Relationship between Castile and Aragon
* Financial impact of wars
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| **Religion**  |  | 7 | Philip II’s inheritance, family issues, personal religion  | * Reform of the |Catholic Church in Spain
* Philip’s religious upbringing
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| 2 | 8 | religious reforms;  | * Censorship laws
* Strengthening of the power of the bishops
* Quiroga
* Reform of monastic orders
* Implementation of decrees of Council of Trent
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|  | 9 | relations with the Papacy, the Spanish Church and Inquisition  | * Philip’s views of papal authority
* Disputes over money
* Working together over the Holy League
* Autos de fe
* Treatment of conversos by inquisition
* Extent to which fearsome reputation of inquisition was deserved
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|  | 10 | attitude towards the Tridentine decrees, Jesuits, the Index, heretics, Moriscos and Conversos  | * Tridentine liturgy and Roman missal
* Control of the Jesuits
* Reasons for Morisco revolt
* Consequences of the defeat of the Morisco revolt
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|  | 10-11 | the moral and spiritual impact of the Inquisition, the religious condition of Spain in 1598  | * Debate over the nature, strength and harshness of the inquisition
* Role of inquisition in education
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| **Foreign policy** |  | **12** | The foreign situation in 1555  | * Threats to Spain: France, Netherlands, Ottomans
* Split of Charles V’s lands
* Peace of Augsburg and Treaty of Cateau-Cambresis 1559
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| 3 | 12 | priorities, defence, crusade, expansion, peace or war  | * Financial situation
* Empire
* Religious motives
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|  | 13-14 | foreign relations and military operations in the Mediterranean, with the Papacy, the Ottomans, Barbary Corsairs, Venice  | * Philip’s aims in the Mediterranean
* Threat from Turkish navy
* Expedition to Tripoli
* Oran 1563
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|  | 15 | the Holy League and the Battle of Lepanto (1571)  | * Reasons for formation of the Holy League
* Key battles and actions
* Extent of success at Lepanto
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|  | 16 | relations with England, France, Portugal; annexation (1580)  | * Reasons for initial cooperation with Elizabeth I
* Role of English merchants
* Role of Duke of Alba
* Escalation of tensions after 1585
* Treaty of Nonesuch
* Armada
* Reasons for seeking peace with France in 1559
* Increased tensions after Henry of Navarre becomes heir
* Treaty of Joinville and Spanish incursions into France
* Battle of Alcazarquivir
* Claimants to Portuguese throne
* Attitude within Portugal to Philip’s claim
* Entry to Lisbon
* Acceptance by Portuguese people
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|  |  | 17 | the consistency of Spain’s aims, methods and the nature of policies  | * Support for Catholicism
* Fear of interference in Netherlands
* Debate over religion as the primary motive
* ‘Grand Strategy’
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|  |  | 17 | Philip’s reputation abroad; his achievements and failures.  | * Failure of wars against France and England
* Views of e.g. Venetian ambassador
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| **The Netherlands** |  | 18-19 | Political, religious, regional, financial and economic origins of the revolt  | * Philip’s aims in the Netherlands, and early visits
* Growth of Protestantism, including Calvinism and iconoclasm
* Dutch wealth and taxation
* English and French interference
* Attempts to increase taxation
* Attitude of the local Protestant and Catholic nobility
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|  | 20 | Philip’s anti-heresy and centralisation policies; ministers and military commanders: Granville, Alba, Requesens, Don John, Parma  | * Appointment of Margaret
* Tribunal of Troubles
* Attitude of military commanders e.g. Alba not paying his soldiers
* Strategy and tactics
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| 4 | 21 | William of Orange and Maurice of Nassau as leaders of the Revolt, their aims, politics and military abilities  | * William’s early aims and motives
* Skill as military commander
* Education and ability of Maurice
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|  | 22 | foreign involvement in the revolt  | * Elizabeth I and England’s interference
* Unrest in France
* Act of Abjuration
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|  | 23 | religion  | * Nature of Protestantism and Catholicism in the Netherlands
* Calvinism
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|  | 23 | divisions between north and south, the Pacification of Ghent (1576), the Unions of Utrecht and Arras (1579)  | * Farnese’s actions in convincing the south to re-join Spain
* Actions and attitude of the Calvinists to the Catholics
* Reasons for the two unions
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|  | 23 | effects of the assassination of William of Orange (1584)  | * Maurice’s successes
* Hardening of pro- and anti-Spanish feeling
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|  | 24-25 | economic and strategic position of northern provinces  | * ‘Great Bog of Europe’
* Wealth of northern towns
* Fortifications
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|  | 25 | reasons for Spain’s failure to crush the revolt; the situation in 1598 | * Spanish Armada
* Philip’s renewed interest in France after 1589
* Financial difficulties
* Failures of military commanders
* Strength of Dutch fortifications
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