# 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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  | 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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  | 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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |

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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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  |  | 5 | justice | * Courts system * Debate over whether Philip was ‘most just of all rulers’ | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  |  | 5 | the fates of Don Carlos and Montigny | * Don Carlos’ death and reaction, * Decision to execute Montigny | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  |  | 6 | provincialism, revolts of the Moriscos (1568) and of Aragon (1590) | * Reasons for Philip’s intervention in Aragon * Rule over the Justiciar | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  |  | 6 | Government, law and order, finances and economy in 1598. | * Centralisation of government * Relationship between Castile and Aragon * Financial impact of wars | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
| **Religion** |  | 7 | Philip II’s inheritance, family issues, personal religion | * Reform of the |Catholic Church in Spain * Philip’s religious upbringing | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
| 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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  | 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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  | 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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  | 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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
| **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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
| 3 | 12 | priorities, defence, crusade, expansion, peace or war | * Financial situation * Empire * Religious motives | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  | 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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  | 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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  | 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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  |  | 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’ | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  |  | 17 | Philip’s reputation abroad; his achievements and failures. | * Failure of wars against France and England * Views of e.g. Venetian ambassador | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
| **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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  | 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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
| 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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  | 22 | foreign involvement in the revolt | * Elizabeth I and England’s interference * Unrest in France * Act of Abjuration | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  | 23 | religion | * Nature of Protestantism and Catholicism in the Netherlands * Calvinism | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  | 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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  | 23 | effects of the assassination of William of Orange (1584) | * Maurice’s successes * Hardening of pro- and anti-Spanish feeling | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  | 24-25 | economic and strategic position of northern provinces | * ‘Great Bog of Europe’ * Wealth of northern towns * Fortifications | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |
|  | 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 | * *Spain: Rise and Decline (Access to History*), Kilsby * *Spain 1474-1598*, Hunt * *Philip II (Flagship Historymakers),* Randall * *Philip II (Seminar Studies in History),* Woodward |

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