



Christ's College Cambridge

2016 History Essay Prize Competition

A prize pot of £500 to be divided proportionately
between winners and runners up

Christ's College Cambridge is pleased to invite entries for the 2016 History Essay Prize competition, open to all current Year 12 students. You don't have to be studying History or intend to take History at University to be eligible to enter.

The deadline for entries is Friday 8th January 2016. Essays must be word-processed, no more than 2,500 words in length and should include a bibliography. A coversheet completed by your school must accompany every entry. Essays will be marked by the end of January 2016 and winners will be invited to our Open Day on Tuesday 16th February 2016 for prize presentations.



To enter, write an essay of no more than 2,500 words on one of the following:

- Are historians primarily story tellers?
- How far is our understanding of history shaped by the accident of what evidence survives?
- Does a biographical approach limit historical understanding?
- Should historians minister to contemporary needs or criticise contemporary preoccupations?

You should ask your school History or form teacher to complete a copy of the coversheet provided and send it with your essay to:

The Admissions Office, Christ's College, St Andrew's Street, Cambridge CB2 3BU
no later than Friday 8th January 2016