

## Access to Higher Education Unit

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**Unit Title:** Introduction to the Dark Ages 476–1000

**Graded Unit Reference Number:** GA33HIS05

**Ungraded Unit Reference Number:** UA33HIS05

**Module:** History

**Level:** Three (3)

**Credit Value:** Three (3)

**Minimum Guided Learning Hours:** 30

Learning Outcome (The Learner will):	Assessment Criterion (The Learner can):
1. Understand key factors behind the fall of the Western Roman Empire leading to the European Migration Period	1.1 Describe the nature of European society just before 476 CE and evaluate the impact of Roman rule
	1.2 Evaluate the reasons that led to the fall of Western Rome in 476 CE
	1.3 Outline some of the consequences of the fall of the Western Roman Empire
2. Understand the changing nature of European society following the collapse of the Western Roman Empire	2.1 Describe social developments in Europe that followed the Germanic invasions
	2.2 Describe course of Saxon invasion in England and assess its social impact
	2.3 Evaluate the development of an Anglo-Saxon culture and identity
	2.4 Evaluate the extent to which the use of the term 'Dark Ages' to describe Europe between 476 and 1000 CE is appropriate