
HISTORY

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Paper 4 Depth Study

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1 hour 30 minutes

No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

This paper contains **five** sections:

Depth Study 1: Europe of the Dictators, 1918–1941

Depth Study 2: The History of the USA, 1945–1990

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Answer **two** questions from **one** section.

The marks are given in brackets [] at the end of each question.



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Depth Study 1: Europe of the Dictators, 1918–1941

Answer any **two** questions.

- 1 How successful was Lenin in establishing communism in Russia? [30]
- 2 Assess the impact of Mussolini's social and economic policies in Italy. [30]
- 3 Assess the reasons why there was so little opposition to Stalin's rule in Russia. [30]
- 4 'Weimar politicians must bear the responsibility for the Nazi rise to power by 1934.' How far do you agree? [30]

Depth Study 2: The History of the USA, 1945–1990

Answer any **two** questions.

- 5 'President Eisenhower continued the domestic policies of President Truman.' How valid is this assertion? [30]
- 6 'Responsibility for the worsening state of the US economy in the period from 1961 to 1974 rests with the US governments of the time.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 7 How far did the social and economic position of African Americans improve in the 1980s? [30]
- 8 'President Reagan's commitment to develop the Strategic Defence Initiative (Star Wars) marked an important shift in US defence policy.' How far do you agree? [30]

Depth Study 3: International History, 1945–1991

Answer any **two** questions.

- 9** 'The 1968 Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty had achieved little by 1975.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 10** 'Détente had already broken down before the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 11** How consistent were Mao Zedong's economic policies in the period from 1950 to 1966? [30]
- 12** Assess the reasons why, having supported his invasion of Iran, the USA opposed Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait. [30]

Depth Study 4: African History, 1945–1991

Answer any **two** questions.

- 13** 'The most significant factor in the winning of independence by Africans after 1945 was the change in the nature of African nationalist movements.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 14** 'The Westminster model of democracy offered little to new African states.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 15** How far did independence improve the standard of living of ordinary Africans? [30]
- 16** Assess the reasons for the support for Pan-Africanism in post-colonial Africa. [30]

Depth Study 5: Southeast Asian History, 1945–1990s

Answer any **two** questions.

- 17** ‘Political dominance and oppression, not economic cooperation, characterised the Japanese Co-Prosperty zone.’ How far do you agree? [30]
- 18** How far can France’s defeat in Vietnam in 1954 be explained by the strengths of its opponents? [30]
- 19** ‘The most successful leader of the Philippines in the post-Marcos era’. Assess this view of Ramos. [30]
- 20** ‘ASEAN’s achievements have been remarkable.’ How far do you agree? [30]

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