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History Higher level Paper 3 – history of Africa and the Middle East

Wednesday 8 May 2019 (morning)

2 hours 30 minutes

Instructions to candidates

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer any three questions.
- Each question is worth [15 marks].
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is [45 marks].

Section 1: The 'Abassid dynasty (750–1258)

- **1.** To what extent did military power play a role in the 'Abassid rise to power?
- 2. "The Sassanian heritage had a significant cultural and political impact on the 'Abassid dynasty." Discuss.

Section 2: The Fatimids (909–1171)

- **3.** Evaluate the impact of Fatimid ideology on religious relations with Muslims, Coptic Christians and Jews.
- **4.** Evaluate the effectiveness of the military reforms of **two** of the following: al-Mu'izz (953–975); al-Hakim (996–1021); al-Mustansir (1036–1094).

Section 3: The Crusades (1095–1291)

- **5.** Evaluate the importance of the theory and practice of jihad during the Crusades.
- **6.** Evaluate the consequences of the Fourth Crusade (1202–1204).

Section 4: The Ottomans (1281–1566)

- 7. Evaluate the causes and consequences of Safavid contest [competition] with the Ottomans.
- **8.** Evaluate the importance to the evolution of Ottoman administration of **two** of the following: Mehmet II (1451–1481); Selim I (1512–1520); Suleiman the Magnificent (1520–1566).

Section 5: Trade and the rise and decline of African states and empires (800–1600)

- **9.** Evaluate the impact of trans-Saharan trade on the decline of African empires.
- **10.** "Islam was a key factor in the rise of the Mali Empire." Discuss.

Section 6: Pre-colonial African states (1800–1900)

- 11. "Social factors were the most significant cause of the rise of the Zulu kingdom." Discuss.
- **12.** Examine the role of Nana and Jaja in the rise of the Niger Delta trading states.

Section 7: The slave trade in Africa and the Middle East (1500–1900)

- **13.** Evaluate the importance of plantation agriculture to the expansion of the Atlantic slave trade.
- **14.** To what extent did missionary activities contribute to the decline of the East African slave trade?

Section 8: European imperialism and the partition of Africa (1850–1900)

- **15.** "The response of other European powers to British actions in Egypt and South Africa was the main cause of partition." Discuss.
- **16.** Evaluate the importance of African military, technological and administrative weaknesses to the partition of Africa.

Section 9: Response to European imperialism (1870–1920)

- **17.** With reference to the Asante wars (1873, 1896, 1900), evaluate the reasons for Asante resistance and British intervention.
- **18.** "African leaders collaborated with the colonial powers because they had no alternative." Discuss.

Section 10: Africa under colonialism (1890–1980)

- **19.** Compare and contrast the nature of colonial rule in **one** British colony and **one** Portuguese colony.
- 20. Discuss the social and political developments that took place in the Gold Coast to 1957.

Section 11: 20th-century nationalist and independence movements in Africa

- **21.** "Trade unions played a significant role in the achievement of independence in Kenya." To what extent do you agree with this statement?
- **22.** Compare and contrast the contribution of nationalist movements to the achievement of independence in Senegal and Tanganyika.

Section 12: The Ottoman Empire (c1800–1923)

- 23. "The Tanzimat reforms did not modernize the Ottoman Empire." Discuss.
- **24.** Discuss the impact of the Balkan Wars (1912 and 1913) on the Ottoman Empire.

Section 13: War and change in the Middle East and North Africa 1914–1945

- 25. Discuss the effects of Allied diplomacy and the Paris peace treaties on the Middle East to 1923.
- **26.** To what extent did economic developments in Palestine contribute to Arab–Jewish tensions?

Section 14: Africa, international organizations and the international community (20th century)

- **27.** Examine the reasons for the failure of the League of Nations to deal with Italian aggression in Abyssinia.
- **28.** Evaluate the success of the Southern African Development Coordination Conference (SADCC) **and** the Southern African Development Community (SADC).

Section 15: Developments in South Africa 1880–1994

- **29.** "The Boers' attainment of political power was the main consequence of the South African War (1899–1902)." Discuss.
- **30.** "Mandela played the most significant role in South Africa's transition to democracy." Discuss.

Section 16: Social and cultural developments in Africa in the 19th and 20th centuries

- **31.** Discuss the changing role of women in **two** African countries.
- 32. Examine the impact of colonialism on education in two African countries.

Section 17: Post-war developments in the Middle East (1945–2000)

- **33.** Discuss the successes and failures of the Camp David Accords.
- **34.** Evaluate the effects of the 1979 Revolution in Iran.

Section 18: Post-independence politics in Africa to 2005

- **35.** Evaluate the importance of personal ambition in the establishment of **two** single-party states in Africa.
- **36.** Evaluate **two** African states' return to multi-party democracy in the 1980s and 1990s.