
HISTORY

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Paper 4

For Examination from 2015

SPECIMEN PAPER

1 hour 30 minutes

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

This paper contains **five** sections:

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

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

Depth Study 3: International History, 1945–1991

Depth Study 4: African History, 1945–1991

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

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

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

This document consists of **4** printed pages.

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

Answer any **two** questions.

- 1 How far had Lenin established a Marxist state in Russia by 1924? [30]
- 2 How far had Mussolini achieved his aims in domestic policy by 1939? [30]
- 3 Why was Stalin able to establish his dictatorship in Russia? [30]
- 4 How accurately can Hitler's government of Germany from 1933 to 1939 be described as totalitarian? [30]

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

Answer any **two** questions.

- 5 Why, after 30 years of economic growth, did the USA experience such severe economic problems in the 1970s? [30]
- 6 How valid is the assertion that the USA experienced greater social change in the 1950s than it did in the 1960s? [30]
- 7 How far did the power of the US presidency grow between 1945 and 1979? [30]
- 8 Why, and with what success, did the USA introduce the policy of affirmative action in the late 1960s? [30]

Depth Study 3: International History, 1945–1991

Answer any **two** questions.

- 9** To what extent was the globalisation of the Cold War between 1950 and 1975 caused by the American policy of containment? [30]
- 10** Was Ronald Reagan more responsible than Mikhail Gorbachev for ending the Cold War? [30]
- 11** ‘Mao Zedong’s only legacy was the political and economic devastation of China.’ How far do you agree? [30]
- 12** Why did Israel launch a pre-emptive strike in 1967 but not in 1973? [30]

Depth Study 4: African History, 1945–1991

Answer any **two** questions.

- 13** Analyse the role of leadership in the achievement of African independence by any **one** country you have studied. [30]
- 14** How did the role and nature of political parties change after independence? [30]
- 15** What economic problems did African countries face upon achieving independence and how successfully did they deal with them? [30]
- 16** Was Pan-Africanism ever a realistic objective? [30]

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

Answer any **two** questions.

- 17** Assess the importance of Japanese rule during World War II in the development of nationalism in Southeast Asia. [30]
- 18** Assess the reasons why Vietnam was divided for so long after 1954. [30]
- 19** To what extent does the leadership of Pol Pot explain the radicalism of the Khmer Rouge's rule in Cambodia? [30]
- 20** 'More successful economically than politically.' Assess this view of ASEAN since 1967. [30]