



NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION
NOVEMBER 2023

HISTORY: PAPER I

Time: 2 hours

100 marks

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

1. This question paper consists of 5 pages. Please check that your question paper is complete.
 2. Read the questions carefully.
 3. Answer **ONE** question from Section A, and **ONE** question from Section B.
 4. Accurate and adequate factual knowledge is essential; equally important is the ability to use relevant information critically in answering the questions.
 5. Start each question on a new page.
 6. Number your answers exactly as the questions are numbered.
 7. It is in your own interest to write legibly. Work in an orderly way and present your answers as neatly as possible.
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SECTION A

Answer **ONE** question from this section.

Write a discursive essay showing evidence of analysis, interpretation, explanation and argumentation. It should be approximately 800 to 900 words long. (You do not need to include a word count.)

QUESTION 1

'A divided Germany was a contributing factor to Cold War tensions.'

Discuss the validity of this statement with reference to events in Berlin from 1945 to 1961.

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OR

QUESTION 2

'Black Consciousness played a central role in the events of 1976.'

Discuss the validity of this statement with reference to the factors that led to the Soweto Uprising.

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OR

QUESTION 3

'Developing nations are forced to be dependent on the Western capitalist organisations.'

Discuss the validity of this statement with reference to the continued dominance of the World Bank, IMF, and WTO on the global economy into the 21st century.

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SECTION B

Answer **ONE** question from this section.

The extended writing should be approximately 350 to 400 words long. You should use your own knowledge and you may also refer to the stimulus to answer the questions. (You do not need to include a word count.)

QUESTION 4

The cartoon below, published in 1960 in the *Washington Post*, is entitled, 'Hammering the sickle'. It depicts Chinese leader Chairman Mao (left) and Soviet Premier Khrushchev (right) coming to blows.



[<<https://holachina.com/?tag=sino-soviet-split>>,
Accessed 10 December 2022]

Explain the causes, and consequences, of the split between China and the Soviet Union between 1949 and 1973 by answering the following questions:

- (a) What was the nature of the relationship between China and the Soviet Union in the 1950s?
- (b) How did Chairman Mao and Premier Khrushchev change the relationship between China and the Soviet Union?
- (c) What was the impact of the Sino-Soviet Split on the Cold War by 1973?

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OR

QUESTION 5

The photograph, taken in 1986, shows South African Defence Force troops enforcing the State of Emergency. Under the State of Emergency, the apartheid government militarised and heavily policed all aspects of South African society.



[<<https://www.aamarchives.org/history/apartheid.html>>, Accessed 12 December 2002]

Explain PW Botha's 'Total Strategy' and how its repressive measures impacted South Africa in the mid-1980s by answering the questions below:

- (a) What led to the development of 'Total Strategy' by PW Botha?
- (b) How did 'Total Strategy' attempt to reinforce the Apartheid State through repressive measures?
- (c) How did 'Total Strategy' and its repressive measures impact South Africa in the mid-1980s?

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OR

QUESTION 6

The cartoon below, published on 18 February 1987, was drawn by political cartoonist Etta Hulme. This cartoon appeared in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*. There is a guard with his feet up reading the Soviet newspaper *Pravda*. There are Soviet political prisoners hanging by their hands.



[<<https://libraries.uta.edu/ettahulme/image/20106911>>, Accessed 12 December 2022]

Explain Gorbachev's 'reform' policy of Glasnost and how it impacted the Soviet Union in 1989 by answering the following questions:

- (a) What was Glasnost and what led to Gorbachev implementing it in the Soviet Union in the mid-1980s?
- (b) How did Glasnost attempt to 'reform' the Soviet Union?
- (c) What was the impact of Glasnost on the Soviet Union by 1989?

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Total: 100 marks