HISTORY
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 three sections:
Depth Study 1: Europe of the Dictators, 1918–1941
Depth Study 2: The History of the USA, 1945–1990

Answer two questions from one section.

The marks are given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question.
Depth Study 1: Europe of the Dictators, 1918–1941

Answer any two questions.

1. Assess the role of the Cheka in securing Bolshevik control over Russia. [30]

2. ‘A dictator in name only.’ Discuss this view of Mussolini. [30]

3. To what extent was Trotsky responsible for Stalin’s rise to power? [30]

4. How far had the Nazis created a totalitarian state in Germany by 1941? [30]

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

Answer any two questions.

5. ‘There were no great differences of domestic policy between the Democratic and Republican parties in the late 1940s and 1950s.’ How far do you agree? [30]

6. How far was the policy of affirmative action counter-productive? [30]

7. ‘The growth of deficits in both the federal budget and US trade in the 1980s is evidence of the failure of Reaganomics.’ How valid is this judgement? [30]

8. How far were the Helsinki Accords of 1975 a victory for the US policy of détente? [30]

Answer any two questions.

9. ‘American policy in the 1950s regarding the spread of communism was inconsistent.’ How far do you agree? [30]

10. How important was the USA in the collapse of the Soviet Union by 1991? [30]

11. ‘Mass demonstrations in the late 1980s posed a serious threat to the Chinese Communist Party’s control over China.’ How far do you agree? [30]

12. How far were Arab-Israeli relations affected by the Cold War in the period from 1956 to 1979? [30]