

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 **three** 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

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 'Nothing but a brutal dictatorship.' How far do you agree with this view of Lenin's government from 1918 to 1924? [30]
- 2 Assess the strengths and weaknesses of Mussolini as a national leader. [30]
- 3 'Motivated more by ideology than by practical considerations.' Discuss this view of Stalin's economic policies. [30]
- 4 To what extent was Hitler 'Master of the Third Reich'? [30]

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

Answer any **two** questions.

- 5 How far was the prosperity of the USA in the fifteen years after the Second World War caused by American dominance of the world economy? [30]
- 6 How far was President Nixon personally responsible for his resignation as US President in 1974? [30]
- 7 How effectively did the US government respond to the AIDS epidemic of the 1980s? [30]
- 8 Assess the reasons why US policies towards China in the 1950s were so hostile. [30]

Depth Study 3: International History, 1945–1991

Answer any **two** questions.

- 9** To what extent was the USA's defeat in the Vietnam War responsible for the development of détente in the 1970s? [30]
- 10** How effective were the Helsinki Accords in improving East–West relations? [30]
- 11** 'The victory of the Chinese Communist Party in 1949 was caused by the unpopularity of the Kuomintang.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 12** 'Israel's involvement in the Suez War ended in failure.' How far do you agree? [30]

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