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HISTORY

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Paper 2 Outline Study

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1 hour 45 minutes



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions from **one** section only.
 - Section A: European option
 - Section B: American option
 - Section C: International option
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

This document has **4** pages.

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

Section A: European option

Modern Europe, 1750–1921

1 France, 1774–1814

(a) Explain why Louis XVI and his family fled Paris in June 1791. [10]

(b) 'Napoleon was a dictator.' How far do you agree? [20]

2 Liberalism and nationalism in Germany, 1815–71

(a) Explain why Bismarck wanted to be allied with Austria in the war against Denmark in 1864. [10]

(b) To what extent did the Carlsbad Decrees limit the development of nationalism in Germany in the period from 1819 to 1848? [20]

3 The Russian Revolution, 1894–1921

(a) Explain why the Bolsheviks were able to establish one-party rule by 1921. [10]

(b) To what extent were Witte's economic reforms successful? [20]

Section B: American option**The history of the USA, 1820–1941****4 The origins of the Civil War, 1820–61**

(a) Explain why people believed in a 'slave power' conspiracy during the 1850s. [10]

(b) To what extent did the Republican victory in the 1860 election cause the Civil War? [20]

5 Civil War and Reconstruction, 1861–77

(a) Explain why Reconstruction ended in 1877. [10]

(b) 'The shortage of resources was the main reason the Civil War lasted for four years.' How far do you agree? [20]

6 The Gilded Age and Progressive Era, 1870s to 1920

(a) Explain why Progressive presidents reformed the Constitution in the years leading up to 1920. [10]

(b) 'The most significant consequences of immigration in the period 1870–1920 were economic in nature.' How far do you agree? [20]

Section C: International option**International history, 1870–1945****7 Empire and the emergence of world powers, 1870–1919**

(a) Explain why Russia was unable to defeat Japan in the war of 1904–05. [10]

(b) To what extent was colonial rivalry in Africa the cause of a decline in Anglo-German relations? [20]

8 The League of Nations and international relations in the 1930s

(a) Explain why the remilitarisation of the Rhineland was not resisted. [10]

(b) ‘The invasion of Poland in September 1939 was not expected to lead to a wider European conflict.’ How valid is this view? [20]

9 China and Japan, 1912–45

(a) Explain why Japanese military leaders thought war with the USA was inevitable by 1941. [10]

(b) How important was Chinese Communist Party support to the success of the Northern Expedition? [20]

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