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**Pearson Edexcel International Advanced Level**

**Friday 24 January 2025**

Afternoon (Time: 2 hours) Paper reference **WHI02/1B**

**History** □ □

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**PAPER 2: Breadth Study with Source Evaluation**

**Option 1B: China, 1900–76**

<p><b>You must have:</b> Sources Booklet (enclosed)</p>	Total Marks
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### Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **ALL** questions in Section A and **ONE** question in Section B.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*

### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

### Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 25 MARKS**



**SECTION B****Answer ONE question in Section B.****You must start your answer to your chosen question on the next page.****EITHER**

- 2** How accurate is it to say that river traffic was more significant than railways in the development of China's economy in the years 1900–27?

**(Total for Question 2 = 25 marks)****OR**

- 3** How accurate is it to say that, in the years 1931–45, the main consequence of Japanese expansion in China was the strengthening of the Chinese Communist Party?

**(Total for Question 3 = 25 marks)****OR**

- 4** How accurate is it to say that the main consequence of the Cultural Revolution (1966–76) was the strengthening of Mao's control over China?

**(Total for Question 4 = 25 marks)**

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Chosen question number: Question 2  Question 3  Question 4

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 25 MARKS**  
**TOTAL FOR PAPER = 50 MARKS**



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### Sources for use with Section A.

**Source 1:** From a statement submitted to the Chinese Communist Party by the editor of the *Guangming Daily* newspaper as a response to the Hundred Flowers Campaign. The *Guangming Daily* was the official newspaper of the China Democratic League, a minor political party that was legally recognised by the Communist regime.

After China's liberation by the Communist Party in 1949, intellectuals favourably supported the Party and accepted the leadership of the Party. But in the last few years, the relations between the Party and the masses have not been good and have become a problem of our political life that urgently needs readjustment.

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In my opinion, the key to the problem lies in the idea that 'the world belongs to the Party'. I think a party leading a nation is not the same as a party owning a nation. The public supports the Party, but members of the public know that they, the people of China, are masters of the nation. It is wrong that every organisation in the nation, whether big or small, must be led by a Party member. For many years, the talents or capabilities of many Party men have not matched their duties. They have mismanaged their jobs and caused damage to the nation. They have not been able to gain the respect of the masses. The result is that the relations between the Party and the masses have been tense.

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**Source 2:** From a placard displayed in the city of Tientsin in northern China in June 1900. Anonymous placards of this type were frequently found in cities during the Boxer Rising. Here Chinese people were encouraged to join the League of Boxers.

It has not rained recently in China. This is because the Catholic and Protestant religions, which do not respect our gods and give no obedience to Buddhism, have angered both Heaven and Earth.

But the gods in Heaven will send us eight million spirit soldiers to clear all foreigners from the Empire. Then the gentle showers of rain will once more water our lands. When the footsteps of these spirit soldiers and the clash of weapons are heard, the Buddhist's Patriotic League of Boxers will be able to protect the Empire and bring peace to all its people. 20

Hurry then to spread this message far and wide, for if you gain one supporter to the League of the Boxers, you will be saved from all future misfortunes. 25

If you gain five supporters to the faith, your whole family will be absolved from all evils.

If you gain ten supporters to the faith, your whole village will be saved from all misfortunes.

Those who gain no supporters to the cause shall be destroyed, for until all foreigners have been exterminated, the rains can never fall. 30

Those who have drunk water from wells poisoned by foreigners should at once swallow a holy medicine and the poisoned patient will recover.

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**Acknowledgements:**

**Source 1 from:** <https://alphahistory.com/chineserevolution/letters-hundred-flowers-1956/>

**Source 2 from:** <https://alphahistory.com/chineserevolution/boxer-rebellion-placards-1900/>

