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Pearson Edexcel Level 3 GCE

Wednesday 17 May 2023

Afternoon (Time: 2 hours 15 minutes)

Paper reference **8HI0/1G**

History

Advanced Subsidiary

PAPER 1: Breadth study with interpretations

Option 1G: Germany and West Germany, 1918–89

You must have:
Extracts Booklet (enclosed)

Total Marks

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.
- There are three sections in this question paper. Answer **ONE** question from Section A, **ONE** question from Section B and the question in Section C.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- 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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SECTION A**Answer EITHER Question 1 OR Question 2.****EITHER**

- 1** Was a lack of popular support the main reason for the problems faced by the Weimar Republic in the years 1919–32?

(Total for Question 1 = 20 marks)**OR**

- 2** Were new employment opportunities the most important reason for improvements in the role and status of women in the years 1918–32?

(Total for Question 2 = 20 marks)

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SECTION B**Answer EITHER Question 3 OR Question 4.****EITHER**

- 3** To what extent were the Weimar and FRG systems of government different?

(Total for Question 3 = 20 marks)

OR

- 4** How accurate is it to say that recovery from the Second World War was the most significant economic challenge for Germany in the years 1933–89?

(Total for Question 4 = 20 marks)

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(Total for Question 5 = 20 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION C = 20 MARKS

TOTAL FOR PAPER = 60 MARKS



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Extracts for use with Section C.

Extract 1: From Michael Burleigh, *The Third Reich: A New History*, published 2000.

Hitler had used bullying tactics against Austria and Czechoslovakia but after September 1939 he resorted to massive military force against Poland. The Molotov-Ribbentrop Non-Aggression Pact gave Hitler massive confidence. He thought of Britain and France as hesitant and weak. He did not believe they could fight a general war to save Poland, and this suggested that he could risk invading Poland and keep the war as a local conflict. 5

Hitler had a low opinion of British and French politicians. He was convinced that he was dealing with, in his words, 'little worms'. Hitler failed to understand that Poland was not the main issue. The British and French had drawn a line in the sand with their guarantees to Poland in the spring, signalling that they would not tolerate further German expansion. Hitler decided to cross that line, believing that war with Poland would be local. It apparently came as a shock to Hitler when Britain and France declared war. 10

Extract 2: From Richard J Evans, *The Third Reich in Power*, published 2006.

In September 1939 Hitler was prepared for a general war against Britain and France. From Hitler's point of view, Chamberlain's guarantee to Poland lacked credibility on a number of grounds. For example, how was Britain actually going to come to the aid of Poland if war really did break out? The Polish guarantee made the invasion of Poland more urgent. Hitler rejected the Non-Aggression Pact signed with Poland in 1934 as well as the Naval Agreement with Britain signed in 1935. 15 20

It was necessary to attack Poland at the first opportunity. Hitler told his military leaders that further foreign policy successes could not be won 'without bloodshed'. Hitler told them that the coming war was not about Danzig*, but to secure living space in the East and secure food supplies. Although Hitler wanted to be able to deal with Poland without British interference if possible, in his heart of hearts he knew that war with Britain and France was inevitable. 25

*Danzig was a city taken from Germany by the Treaty of Versailles in 1920.

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Extract 1 from: *The Third Reich: A New History*, Michael Burleigh, MacMillan 2000

Extract 2 from: *The Third Reich In Power* Richard J Evans, Penguin Books 2006



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