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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 [ ].

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

Section A: European option

Modern Europe, 1750–1921

1 The Industrial Revolution in Britain, 1750–1850

(a) Explain why changes in agriculture were important for industrialisation. [10]

(b) 'The Public Health Act of 1848 was passed because of fear of cholera.' How far do you agree? [20]

2 Liberalism and nationalism in Germany, 1815–71

(a) Explain why the Erfurt Union collapsed in 1850. [10]

(b) 'Germany was unified under Prussian leadership because of errors made by France.' How far do you agree? [20]

3 The Russian Revolution, 1894–1921

(a) Explain why control of Petrograd and Moscow was important for Bolshevik victory in the Russian Civil War. [10]

(b) To what extent was the Russian economy modernised in the period from 1894 to 1914? [20]

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Section B: American option

The history of the USA, 1820–1941

4 The origins of the Civil War, 1820–61

(a) Explain why the Democratic Party was divided during the 1860 presidential election campaign. [10]

(b) To what extent were increased sectional tensions between 1850 and 1856 caused by the Fugitive Slave Act (1850)? [20]

5 Civil War and Reconstruction, 1861–77

(a) Explain why Grant changed the government's approach to Reconstruction after his election in 1868. [10]

(b) 'During the Civil War, civil liberties were restricted more in the South than in the North.' How far do you agree? [20]

6 The Great Crash, the Great Depression and the New Deal policies, 1920–41

(a) Explain why the banking system collapsed after the Great Crash of 1929. [10]

(b) To what extent were Roosevelt's actions in his First Hundred Days focused on helping rural communities? [20]

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Section C: International option

International history, 1870–1945

7 The League of Nations and international relations in the 1920s

(a) Explain why the Japanese were unhappy with the outcome of the Washington Naval Conference in 1922. [10]

(b) 'The League's difficulties in dealing with international disputes in the 1920s were caused by the absence of the USA.' How far do you agree? [20]

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

(a) Explain why the Non-Intervention Treaty of 1936 failed to stop foreign involvement in the Spanish Civil War. [10]

(b) How far did the Munich Conference show that the policy of appeasement was successful? [20]

9 China and Japan, 1912–45

(a) Explain why the Xi'an Incident was important in the Chinese war against Japan. [10]

(b) How important was support for the Three Principles of Sun Yat-sen in the success of the Northern Expedition? [20]

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