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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 France, 1774–1814

(a) Explain why Louis XVI was executed in 1793. [10]

(b) To what extent was Napoleon's military ability the reason for the ending of the Directory in 1799? [20]

2 The Industrial Revolution in Britain, 1750–1850

(a) Explain why the agricultural revolution was a cause of the Industrial Revolution. [10]

(b) To what extent did industrialisation benefit the lower classes? [20]

3 The Russian Revolution, 1894–1921

(a) Explain why the Tsarist regime was able to survive the 1905 Revolution. [10]

(b) 'The main cause of the Bolshevik victory in the Russian Civil War was the disunity of their enemies.' How far do you agree? [20]

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Section B: American option

The history of the USA, 1820–1941

4 Civil War and Reconstruction, 1861–77

(a) Explain why civil liberties were limited during the Civil War. [10]

(b) 'Opposition from white southerners was the main reason for the limited success of Reconstruction.' How far do you agree with this view? [20]

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

(a) Explain why Progressives wanted to limit the power of party machines. [10]

(b) To what extent was the growth of the railroads the reason for the rapid industrialisation of the late nineteenth century? [20]

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

(a) Explain why Hoover found it difficult to respond to the consequences of the Great Crash. [10]

(b) 'The most significant opposition to the New Deal came from those on the left of politics.' How far do you agree with this view? [20]

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Section C: International option

International history, 1870–1945

7 Empire and the emergence of world powers, 1870–1919

(a) Explain why US foreign policy changed during the presidency of McKinley. [10]

(b) To what extent was British imperial policy up to 1902 based on fear of other European powers? [20]

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

(a) Explain why reparations remained a problem throughout the 1920s. [10]

(b) 'Economic issues were the most important of the problems faced by the successor states in the 1920s.' How far do you agree? [20]

9 China and Japan, 1912–45

(a) Explain why the Yan'an Soviet was created in 1936. [10]

(b) How far was the rise of the warlords in China caused by the actions of Yuan Shi-kai? [20]

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