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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 Necker's '*Le Compte Rendu au Roi*' was criticised when published in 1781. [10]

(b) 'Hunger caused the Great Fear of 1789 to happen.' How far do you agree? [20]

2 Liberalism and nationalism in Germany, 1815–71

(a) Explain why the Carlsbad Decrees threatened the development of German nationalism. [10]

(b) 'The dispute over the new Danish King's rights over Schleswig-Holstein caused the war of 1864.' How far do you agree? [20]

3 The Russian Revolution, 1894–1921

(a) Explain why the Tsarist regime had become unpopular by 1905. [10]

(b) 'By 1921 Bolshevik rule over Russia was firmly established.' How far do you agree? [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 Confederate forces attacked Fort Sumter. [10]

(b) How significant was the issue of 'Bleeding Kansas' in bringing about the Civil War? [20]

5 Civil War and Reconstruction, 1861–77

(a) Explain why Radical Republicans opposed Johnson's Presidential Reconstruction policies. [10]

(b) 'Living conditions in the South were hard throughout the Civil War.' How far do you agree? [20]

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

(a) Explain why the Granger Movement was formed. [10]

(b) 'Constitutional change was the most significant achievement of the Progressive Movement.' How far do you agree? [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 political considerations led to European interest in gaining territories in Africa after 1870. [10]

(b) To what extent were the economic difficulties of the 1890s a cause of the change in US attitudes towards overseas expansion? [20]

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

(a) Explain why Germany became involved in the Spanish Civil War. [10]

(b) 'The League was not to blame for the failure to prevent Italy's conquest of Abyssinia.' How far do you agree? [20]

9 China and Japan, 1912–45

(a) Explain why Chiang Kai-shek's Extermination Campaigns failed to destroy the Communist Party. [10]

(b) To what extent was the Kwantung Army's invasion of Manchuria a result of the weakness of democracy in Japan? [20]

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