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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 Napoleon's regime can be seen as a dictatorship. [10]

(b) To what extent had the Revolution changed France by the end of 1791? [20]

2 The Industrial Revolution in Britain, 1750–1850

(a) Explain why capitalism was important for the development of the Industrial Revolution in Britain. [10]

(b) 'Governments responded positively to demands for change caused by industrialisation.' How far do you agree? [20]

3 The Russian Revolution, 1894–1921

(a) Explain why the Bolsheviks were successful in October 1917. [10]

(b) How important was the war with Japan in the development of the Revolution of 1905? [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 there was opposition to Johnson's plans for Reconstruction. [10]

(b) 'Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation for military reasons.' How far do you agree? [20]

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

(a) Explain why the movement for female emancipation remained split throughout the late nineteenth century. [10]

(b) How far do you agree that Progressive reforms were more successful at state than at federal level? [20]

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

(a) Explain why people bought goods on hire purchase in the 1920s. [10]

(b) How far do you agree that the key to Roosevelt's political success was his ability to communicate effectively with the American people? [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 the Second Boer War led to heavy criticism of Britain. [10]

(b) To what extent did the Anglo-Japanese Alliance contribute to the Japanese victory over Russia in 1905? [20]

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

(a) Explain why the work of the Refugee Commission of the League of Nations was particularly important in the period to 1923. [10]

(b) 'The Locarno Treaties established a trusting and friendly relationship between Germany and other European nations.' How far do you agree? [20]

9 China and Japan, 1912–45

(a) Explain why the appointment of General Tojo as Japanese Prime Minister was significant in the Japanese decision to go to war in 1941. [10]

(b) How important was the support of the USSR in the success of the Northern Expedition? [20]

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