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HISTORY

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Paper 2 Outline Study

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1 hour 45 minutes

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 [].

This document has **4** pages.

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

Section A: European option

Modern Europe, 1750–1921

1 France, 1774–1814

- (a) Explain why the Directory faced problems from its beginning in 1795. [10]
- (b) 'The French Revolution of 1789 was caused by hunger.' How far do you agree? [20]

2 The Industrial Revolution in Britain, 1750–1850

- (a) Explain why trade unions were able to survive in this period. [10]
- (b) How far was the Public Health Act of 1848 passed for economic reasons? [20]

3 The Russian Revolution, 1894–1921

- (a) Explain why Stolypin was unpopular. [10]
- (b) 'The Russian Civil War was caused by Lenin's dissolution of the Constituent Assembly in January 1918.' How far do you agree? [20]

Section B: American option**The history of the USA, 1820–1941****4 Civil War and Reconstruction, 1861–77**

- (a) Explain why the Union used scorched earth tactics during the Civil War. [10]
- (b) 'The passage of the 15th Amendment was more difficult than those of the 13th and 14th Amendments.' How far do you agree? [20]

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

- (a) Explain why living conditions in cities were poor. [10]
- (b) How far do you agree that attempts to regulate private corporations and trusts were ineffective? [20]

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

- (a) Explain why the value of shares fell rapidly in the Great Crash. [10]
- (b) 'The depression of 1937–38 showed that the New Deal had failed.' How far do you agree? [20]

Section C: International option**International history, 1870–1945****7 Empire and the emergence of world powers, 1870–1919**

- (a) Explain why the Treaty of Shimonoseki led to the Triple Intervention. [10]
- (b) 'The Fashoda Incident of 1898 represented a turning point in relations between France and Britain.' How far do you agree? [20]

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

- (a) Explain why the USA did not join the League of Nations. [10]
- (b) 'The Treaty of Sèvres created more problems than it solved.' How far do you agree? [20]

9 China and Japan, 1912–45

- (a) Explain why the puppet state of Manchukuo was created in 1932. [10]
- (b) How successful was the Northern Expedition in establishing Kuomintang control in China? [20]

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