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HISTORY

Paper 4 Alternative to Coursework

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1 hour

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **one** question from your chosen Depth study.
- 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 40.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

This document has 4 pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Answer **one** question.

Depth study A: The First World War, 1914–18

- 1 (a) Write an account of the German offensive on the Western Front in 1914 to the end of the Battle of the Marne. [15]
- (b) Discuss the importance of Moltke in the failure of the Schlieffen Plan. [25]
- 2 (a) Write an account of Japan's contribution to the Allied war effort. [15]
- (b) Discuss the importance of Japan's naval assistance to the Western Allies. [25]

Depth study B: Germany, 1918–45

- 3 (a) Write an account of the methods used by the Nazis to increase their electoral support up to 1932. [15]
- (b) Discuss the impact of the SA in Germany to 1932. [25]
- 4 (a) Write an account of the Night of the Long Knives. [15]
- (b) Discuss the importance of Hindenburg's death. [25]

Depth study C: Russia, 1905–41

- 5 (a) Write an account of Stolypin's reforms. [15]
- (b) Discuss the importance of the peasants in Russia up to 1914. [25]
- 6 (a) Write an account of the first Five-Year Plan. [15]
- (b) Discuss the importance of Stalin's policies against the kulaks. [25]

Depth study D: The United States, 1919–41

- 7 (a) Write an account of new developments in industry in the 1920s. [15]
- (b) Discuss the impact of electrification on the USA in the 1920s. [25]
- 8 (a) Write an account of the changes experienced by women in the 1920s. [15]
- (b) Discuss the impact of the entertainment industry in the 1920s. [25]

Depth study E: The Second World War in Europe and the Asia–Pacific, 1939–c.1945

- 9 (a) Write an account of Operation Sea Lion. [15]
- (b) Discuss the importance of innovations and technology used by the British during the Battle of Britain. [25]
- 10 (a) Write an account of the Battle of Guadalcanal. [15]
- (b) Discuss the importance of the United States' navy in the war in the Asia–Pacific. [25]

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