

History Higher level Paper 3 – history of Europe

Wednesday 10 May 2017 (morning)

2 hours 30 minutes

Instructions to candidates

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer any three questions.
- Each question is worth [15 marks].
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is [45 marks].



Section 1 Monarchies in England and France (1066–1223)

- 1. "The Norman invasion in 1066 had little impact on the people of England." Discuss.
- 2. Compare and contrast the nature of royal government in England and France.

Section 2 Muslims and Jews in medieval Europe (1095–1492)

- **3.** Discuss the reasons for Christian opposition to the Muslim states in Spain.
- **4.** Discuss the role and contribution of Jews in medieval Europe.

Section 3 Late medieval political crises (1300–1487)

- **5.** Discuss the reasons why the French defeated the English in the Hundred Years War.
- **6.** Evaluate the impact of the Wars of the Roses on royal authority in England.

Section 4 The Renaissance (c1400–1600)

- **7.** Compare and contrast the characteristics of government in Florence and Venice.
- **8.** Discuss the reasons why the Renaissance spread to Burgundy and Germany.

Section 5 The Age of Exploration and its impact (1400–1550)

- **9.** "Developments in cartography and navigation were the main factors that enabled Spanish and Portuguese exploration." Discuss.
- **10.** Evaluate the impact of the Treaty of Tordesillas (1494) on Europe.

Section 6 The Reformation (1517–1572)

- 11. Evaluate the role of the German princes in the spread of Lutheran ideas in Germany up to 1547.
- 12. To what extent was the Catholic Church reformed between 1517 and 1563?

Section 7 Absolutism and Enlightenment (1650–1800)

- **13.** Evaluate the effectiveness of the foreign policy of any **two** absolutist monarchs.
- **14.** Discuss the reasons for the growth of cities between 1650 and 1800.

Section 8 The French Revolution and Napoleon I (1774–1815)

- **15.** Evaluate the reasons for French success in the Revolutionary Wars of 1792 to 1799.
- **16.** Discuss the reasons for Napoleon's rise to political power by 1799.

Section 9 France (1815–1914)

- **17.** Evaluate the reasons for the 1848 Revolution in France.
- 18. To what extent was the foreign policy of Napoleon III successful?

Section 10 Society, politics and economy in Britain and Ireland (1815–1914)

- **19.** Discuss the reasons for social protest in Britain and Ireland between 1815 and 1848.
- **20.** "Lloyd George's 'People's Budget' had a significant political and social impact." Discuss.

Section 11 Italy (1815–1871) and Germany (1815–1890)

- **21.** Evaluate the contributions of Cavour **and** Mazzini to the unification of Italy.
- **22.** "The *Kulturkampf* and the anti-socialist campaign were political failures for Bismarck." Discuss.

Section 12 Imperial Russia, revolution and the establishment of the Soviet Union (1855–1924)

- **23.** With reference to the period up to 1914, discuss the economic developments that took place in Russia during the reigns of Alexander III **and** Nicholas II.
- **24.** Evaluate the role of terror and coercion in the consolidation of the Soviet state between 1917 and 1924.

Section 13 Europe and the First World War (1871–1918)

- **25.** With reference to the period up to 1914, examine the impact of Kaiser Wilhelm II's foreign policy on Britain, France, Russia and Austria-Hungary.
- **26.** "Domestic instability was the main factor in Germany requesting an armistice in 1918." Discuss.

Section 14 European states in the inter-war years (1918–1939)

- **27.** "Opposition to the Nazi regime was limited and unsuccessful between 1933 and 1939." To what extent do you agree with this statement?
- 28. Discuss the reasons for political polarization in Spain between 1931 and 1936.

Section 15 Versailles to Berlin: Diplomacy in Europe (1919–1945)

- **29.** "The policy of appearement was necessary because, by the mid-1930s, collective security had failed." To what extent do you agree with this statement?
- **30.** Examine the impact of the Second World War on the civilian populations of **two** countries in Europe between 1939 and 1945.

Section 16 The Soviet Union and post-Soviet Russia (1924–2000)

- **31.** Evaluate the significance of propaganda to the maintenance of Stalin's power between 1929 and 1945.
- 32. To what extent did Yeltsin establish democracy in Russia between 1991 and 1999?

Section 17 Post-war western and northern Europe (1945–2000)

- **33.** Discuss the role of de Gaulle in stabilizing France between 1958 and 1969.
- 34. To what extent was there social and cultural change in West Germany between 1949 and 1989?

Section 18 Post-war central and eastern Europe (1945–2000)

- **35.** Evaluate Yugoslavia's challenge to Soviet control under Tito.
- **36.** Between 1945 and 1968, to what extent was there support for Soviet control within **two** of the following: East Germany; Poland; Hungary; Czechoslovakia?