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HISTORY

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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 [].

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Answer **one** question from your chosen Depth Study.

DEPTH STUDY A: THE FIRST WORLD WAR, 1914–18

- 1 How important was British and French resistance as a factor in the failure of the Schlieffen Plan? Explain your answer. [40]
- 2 How significant was the machine gun as a cause of the stalemate on the Western Front? Explain your answer. [40]

DEPTH STUDY B: GERMANY, 1918–45

- 3 How important was the occupation of the Ruhr amongst the social and economic problems in Weimar Germany, 1919–24? Explain your answer. [40]
- 4 How significant was the Second World War in determining Nazi policies towards the Jews? Explain your answer. [40]

DEPTH STUDY C: RUSSIA, 1905–41

- 5 How important was the 1905 Revolution in weakening the Tsarist system of government to 1914? Explain your answer. [40]
- 6 How significant were policies towards women amongst the social changes in Stalin's Russia after 1928? Explain your answer. [40]

DEPTH STUDY D: THE UNITED STATES, 1919–41

- 7 How important was the loss of foreign markets as a reason why US agriculture did not prosper in the 1920s? Explain your answer. [40]
- 8 How significant was the Red Scare as an aspect of intolerance in US society in the 1920s? Explain your answer. [40]

DEPTH STUDY E: CHINA, c.1930–c.1990

- 9 How important was the Second World War in the rivalry between the Nationalist government and the Chinese Communist Party? Explain your answer. [40]
- 10 How significant was the Great Leap Forward in Mao's modernisation of China? Explain your answer. [40]

DEPTH STUDY F: SOUTH AFRICA, c.1940–c.1994

- 11** How important was economic growth in shaping the lives of South Africans before 1948? Explain your answer. [40]
- 12** How significant in the resistance to apartheid was the South African Students' Organisation (SASO)? Explain your answer. [40]

DEPTH STUDY G: ISRAELIS AND PALESTINIANS SINCE 1945

- 13** How important was President Nasser as a cause of the Suez War in 1956? Explain your answer. [40]
- 14** How significant were Palestinian militants as a factor shaping the Palestinian peace process? Explain your answer. [40]

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