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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 to the failure of the Schlieffen Plan was Russia's mobilisation in 1914? Explain your answer. [40]
- 2 How significant was the impact of conscription in shaping civilian life on the British Home Front? Explain your answer. [40]

DEPTH STUDY B: GERMANY, 1918–45

- 3 How important was the Weimar Constitution in creating instability in Germany, 1919–33? Explain your answer. [40]
- 4 How significant were the churches in the opposition to Nazi rule after 1933? Explain your answer. [40]

DEPTH STUDY C: RUSSIA, 1905–41

- 5 How important was agriculture as a cause of Russia's problems by March 1917? Explain your answer. [40]
- 6 How significant was War Communism in the consolidation of Bolshevik rule to 1924? Explain your answer. [40]

DEPTH STUDY D: THE UNITED STATES, 1919–41

- 7 How important was the availability of electricity as a reason for economic growth in the USA in the 1920s? Explain your answer. [40]
- 8 How significant was Prohibition in changing the lives of the American people, 1919–33? Explain your answer. [40]

DEPTH STUDY E: CHINA, c.1930–c.1990

- 9 How important was the Yanan Soviet in increasing support for the Chinese Communist Party by 1949? Explain your answer. [40]
- 10 How significant were improved relations with the USA in establishing China as a superpower by the time of Mao's death? Explain your answer. [40]

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

- 11** How important were the Land Acts in shaping the lives of the non-white population in South Africa before 1948? Explain your answer. [40]
- 12** How significant was anti-communism as a motive for the government's repression of political opponents in South Africa to 1966? Explain your answer. [40]

DEPTH STUDY G: ISRAELIS AND PALESTINIANS SINCE 1945

- 13** How important was the Yom Kippur War (1973) in shaping Arab–Israeli relations up to 1996? Explain your answer. [40]
- 14** How significant has the peacekeeping and diplomacy of the United Nations been in attempts to resolve the Arab–Israeli conflict? Explain your answer. [40]

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