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History
Higher level and standard level
Paper 2

Wednesday 4 May 2022 (afternoon)

45 minutes

Instructions to candidates

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer one question.
- Each question is worth **[15 marks]**.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is **[15 marks]**.
- Where the word “region” is used, it refers to the following four regions: Africa and the Middle East, the Americas, Asia and Oceania, and Europe.

Topic 1: Society and economy (750–1400)

1. Examine changes in social structures and systems in **two** societies.
2. Examine the reasons for the spread of religion in **two** societies, each chosen from a different region.

Topic 2: Causes and effects of wars (750–1500)

3. Evaluate the significance of leaders to the outcomes of **two** wars in the period 750–1500, each chosen from a different region.
4. “Wars had limited long-term political impact.” With reference to **two** wars in the period 750–1500, to what extent do you agree with this statement?

Topic 3: Dynasties and rulers (750–1500)

5. Compare and contrast the methods used by **two** rulers to maintain their rule.
6. Examine the effects of religious and secular law on the administration of **two** states, each chosen from a different region.

Topic 4: Societies in transition (1400–1700)

7. Examine the impact of scientific and technological developments on **two** societies, each chosen from a different region.
8. “Religious discrimination and persecution were the main cause of religious change.” Discuss.

Topic 5: Early Modern states (1450–1789)

9. “Rulers rarely achieved their ambitions.” Discuss with reference to **two** rulers, each chosen from a different region.
10. Compare and contrast the treatment of internal opposition in **two** states.

Topic 6: Causes and effects of Early Modern wars (1500–1750)

11. To what extent was foreign involvement the main factor which determined the outcome of **two** wars?
12. Discuss the successes and failures of peacemaking after **two** wars.

Topic 7: Origins, development and impact of industrialization (1750–2005)

13. To what extent was political stability the main factor which enabled industrialization in **two** countries?
14. Examine the impact of developments in energy and power on industrialization in **two** countries, each chosen from a different region.

Topic 8: Independence movements (1800–2000)

15. Discuss the importance of race to the origins and rise of independence movements in **two** states.
16. “Violent methods were essential to the achievement of independence.” Discuss with reference to **two** states.

Topic 9: Emergence and development of democratic states (1848–2000)

17. Compare and contrast the role of leaders in the emergence of **two** democratic states.
18. Examine the impact of domestic crises on the development of **two** democratic states, each chosen from a different region.

Topic 10: Authoritarian states (20th century)

19. “Weak political systems were the most significant factor in the emergence of authoritarian states.” Discuss with reference to **two** states.
20. Evaluate the impact of social and cultural policies in **one** authoritarian state.

Topic 11: Causes and effects of 20th century wars

21. Compare and contrast the long-term causes of **two** wars.

22. Evaluate the impact of guerrilla warfare on the outcome of **two** wars.

Topic 12: The Cold War: Superpower tensions and rivalries (20th century)

23. “Fear, rather than aggression, was the main cause of superpower rivalry between 1943 and 1949.”
To what extent do you agree with this statement?

 24. Examine the economic impact of the Cold War on **two** countries, each chosen from a different region.
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References: