



HISTORY
HIGHER LEVEL AND STANDARD LEVEL
PAPER 2

Wednesday 9 May 2007 (afternoon)

1 hour 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer two questions, each chosen from a different Topic.
- Questions in this paper must be answered with reference to events and developments in the twentieth century.
- Where the word *region* is used in questions in this paper, it refers, unless otherwise defined, to the five regions which are the basis of the regional studies for Higher Level Paper 3.



Topic 1 Causes, practices and effects of war

1. Analyse the results of **either** the First World War **or** the Second World War.
2. Examine the impact of foreign intervention on **either** the Chinese Civil War **or** the Spanish Civil War.
3. Assess the social and economic causes of **one** twentieth-century war.
4. Compare and contrast the use of naval warfare in **two** wars, each chosen from a different region.
5. For what reasons, and with what results, was “limited” warfare a feature of the second half of the twentieth century?

Topic 2 Nationalist and independence movements, decolonization and challenges facing new states

6. To what extent was the colonial legacy the main problem in **two** non-European new states, each chosen from a different region?
7. Assess the causes of the rise of nationalism in **one** non-European new state.
8. Compare and contrast the independence movements in **two** developing states, one in Africa and the other in Asia.
9. For what reasons, and with what results, was **either** India **or** Kenya successful in obtaining independence?
10. Examine gender issues before and after independence in **either** Algeria **or** Pakistan.

Topic 3 The rise and rule of single-party states

11. Analyse the methods used and the conditions which helped in the rise to power of **one** ruler of a single-party state.
12. Evaluate the successes and failures of **one** ruler of a single-party state.
13. Assess the methods used by **either** Lenin **or** Perón to maintain his regime.
14. Compare and contrast the influence outside their own countries of Hitler and Mao.
15. Examine the status of women in **two** single-party states, each chosen from a different region.

Topic 4 Peace and cooperation: international organizations and multiparty states

16. Why, in spite of early successes, did the League of Nations fail to prevent the outbreak of the Second World War?
17. In what ways, and with what success, did **one** twentieth-century international organization try to improve social and economic conditions?
18. To what extent did Nehru’s government in India (1947–64) fulfil its expectations?
19. Compare and contrast the foreign policies of **two** multiparty states.
20. “The ideal form of government for the twentieth century was a multiparty state.” To what extent do you agree with this assertion?

Topic 5 The Cold War

21. Assess the part played by differing ideologies in the origin of the Cold War.
22. In what ways, and with what results, was Germany the key focus of the early stages of the Cold War?
23. Analyse the part played by Cuba in the development of the Cold War.
24. Evaluate the role of **one** superpower in the Cold War after 1970.
25. To what extent did economic problems in the Communist bloc bring about the end of the Cold War?

Topic 6 The state and its relationship with religion and with minorities

26. Compare and contrast the difficulties faced by **two** minorities (ethnic, racial or religious), each chosen from a different region.
 27. Evaluate the impact of the state religion on law and morality in **two** countries.
 28. Assess the relationship between an ethnic or racial minority with the ethnic or racial majority in that state.
 29. For what reasons, and with what results, did religious majorities fear religious minorities in the twentieth century?
 30. How did education both help and hinder the integration of minorities?
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