



**HISTORY
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PAPER 1**

Monday 10 November 2008 (afternoon)

1 hour

QUESTION BOOKLET – INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Refer to the Source Booklet which accompanies this examination paper.
- Answer all the questions in one section only. Either:
 - Section A
 - or
 - Section B
 - or
 - Section C.

Refer to the accompanying Source Booklet and answer all the questions in either Section A or Section B or Section C.

SECTION A

Prescribed Subject 1 The USSR under Stalin, 1924 to 1941

These questions relate to the extent of Stalin's power in the 1930s. The accompanying sources are on pages 2 to 4 in the Source Booklet.

1. (a) What, according to Source B, were the aims of the 1933–1934 purge of the Communist Party? *[3 marks]*
(b) What message is conveyed by Source D? *[2 marks]*

2. Compare and contrast the views expressed about the extent of Stalin's power in Sources A and E. *[6 marks]*

3. With reference to their origin and purpose, assess the value and limitations of Source C and Source E for historians studying Russia in the 1930s. *[6 marks]*

4. Using these sources and your own knowledge how far do you agree that Stalin's power in the late 1930s was due to his dominance of the Communist Party? *[8 marks]*

SECTION B

Prescribed Subject 2 The emergence and development of the People’s Republic of China (PRC), 1946 to 1964

These questions relate to the political consolidation of China after 1949. The accompanying sources are on pages 5 to 7 in the Source Booklet.

5. (a) What, according to Source A, did Mao believe were the lessons learned from the past, and the direction that China’s future policies should take? *[3 marks]*
- (b) What information is conveyed by Source C? *[2 marks]*
6. Compare and contrast the views expressed about the means by which political consolidation occurred in China in Sources C and E. *[6 marks]*
7. With reference to their origin and purpose, assess the value and limitations of Source B and Source D for historians studying the political consolidation of China under Mao. *[6 marks]*
8. Using these sources and your own knowledge explain to what extent the actual political practice of the new state honoured the promise of “these elementary democratic rights” (Source D) up to 1957. *[8 marks]*

SECTION C

Prescribed Subject 3 The Cold War, 1960 to 1979

These questions relate to United States Cold War policies and the Vietnam War. The accompanying sources are on pages 8 to 10 in the Source Booklet.

9. (a) Why, according to Source A, did President Johnson believe it was necessary to ask for congressional action? *[3 marks]*
- (b) What message is conveyed by Source C? *[2 marks]*
10. Compare and contrast the views expressed about United States military involvement in Vietnam in Sources A and D. *[6 marks]*
11. With reference to their origin and purpose, assess the value and limitations of Source B and Source E for historians studying United States involvement in the Vietnam War. *[6 marks]*
12. Using these sources and your own knowledge examine the reasons for the United States escalating its military involvement in the Vietnam War in the mid 1960s. *[8 marks]*
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