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HISTORY
ROUTE 2
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PAPER 2

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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 four regions which are the basis of the regional studies for Higher Level Paper 3.



Topic 1 Causes, practices and effects of wars

1. Examine the factors which hindered attempts at collective security after **either** the First World War **or** the Second World War.
2. Analyse the causes of **either** the Spanish Civil War (1936–1939) **or** the Falklands/Malvinas War (1982).
3. With reference to **two** civil wars, compare and contrast the importance of ideology in (a) causing the civil war, and (b) attracting outside involvement.
4. In what ways, and for what reasons, did technological developments affect the nature and the outcome of **two** twentieth century wars, each chosen from a different region?
5. “In twentieth century total war, victory depended as much on the contribution of the home front as developments on the military front.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?
6. For what reasons, and with what results, did war occur **either** between India and Pakistan (1947–1971) **or** between Iran and Iraq (1980–1988)?

Topic 2 Democratic states – challenges and responses

7. “Proportional representation and coalition government were intended to produce stability and fair representation, yet proved fatal for democracy in Germany between 1919 and 1933.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?
8. In what ways, and with what success, did **one** of the following states deal with social and economic problems: India 1947–1964; Argentina 1983–1995; South Africa 1991–2000?
9. For what reasons, and with what results, were democratic (multiparty) states threatened by political extremism?
10. By what methods, and with what success, did **one** democratic (multiparty) state attempt to ensure equality of opportunity in **two** of the following areas: employment; health; education?
11. Compare and contrast the movements for the attainment of civil rights in **two** democratic (multiparty) states.
12. Assess the extent to which the main political and economic developments in Japan (1945–1952) were the result of Cold War fears.

Topic 3 Origins and development of authoritarian and single-party states

13. “The rise to power of right-wing authoritarian or single-party leaders was due to fear of the Left.” With reference to **two** right-wing leaders, to what extent do you agree with this statement?
14. In what ways, and with what success, did **either** Castro **or** Mao attempt to establish a totalitarian state after coming to power?
15. Examine the role of **either** education **or** the arts in **one** left-wing **and one** right-wing authoritarian/single-party state.
16. Analyse the methods used to maintain power by **either** Perón **or** Stalin.
17. Evaluate the contributions to the rise to power of Hitler of **each** of the following: National Socialist ideology; the use of force; economic crises.
18. Compare and contrast **either** economic policies **or** the treatment of minorities in **two** authoritarian or single-party states, each chosen from a different region.

Topic 4 Nationalist and independence movements in Africa and Asia and post-1945 Central and Eastern European states

19. In what ways, and with what results, did the **two** world wars affect the growth of independence movements in **one** African **or one** Asian state?
20. Compare and contrast the reasons for political instability following decolonization in **one** African **and one** Asian ex-colonial state.
21. To what extent did economic problems contribute to the dissolution of Yugoslavia?
22. To what extent was **one** post-communist Central **or** Eastern European state successful in addressing the problems it faced?
23. Assess the contribution of Gandhi to the emergence of an independent India and Pakistan.
24. “The overthrow of Communist regimes in Central and Eastern Europe would not have succeeded without strong, charismatic leaders.” With reference to **two** leaders, to what extent do you agree with this statement?

Topic 5 The Cold War

25. Compare and contrast the roles of Truman **and** Stalin in the breakdown of East–West relations.
 26. Assess the impact of **either** the Vietnam War (1964–1975) **or** the Afghanistan War (1979–1988) on the development of the Cold War.
 27. For what reasons, and with what results, did the Sino–Soviet split influence the Cold War?
 28. “The US and the USSR were successful in their efforts to maintain their spheres of influence between 1950 and 1962.” To what extent do you agree with this assertion?
 29. To what extent was the breakdown of the Soviet Union by 1991 due to economic causes?
 30. Analyse the social and economic impact of the Cold War on **two** countries, each chosen from a different region.
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