

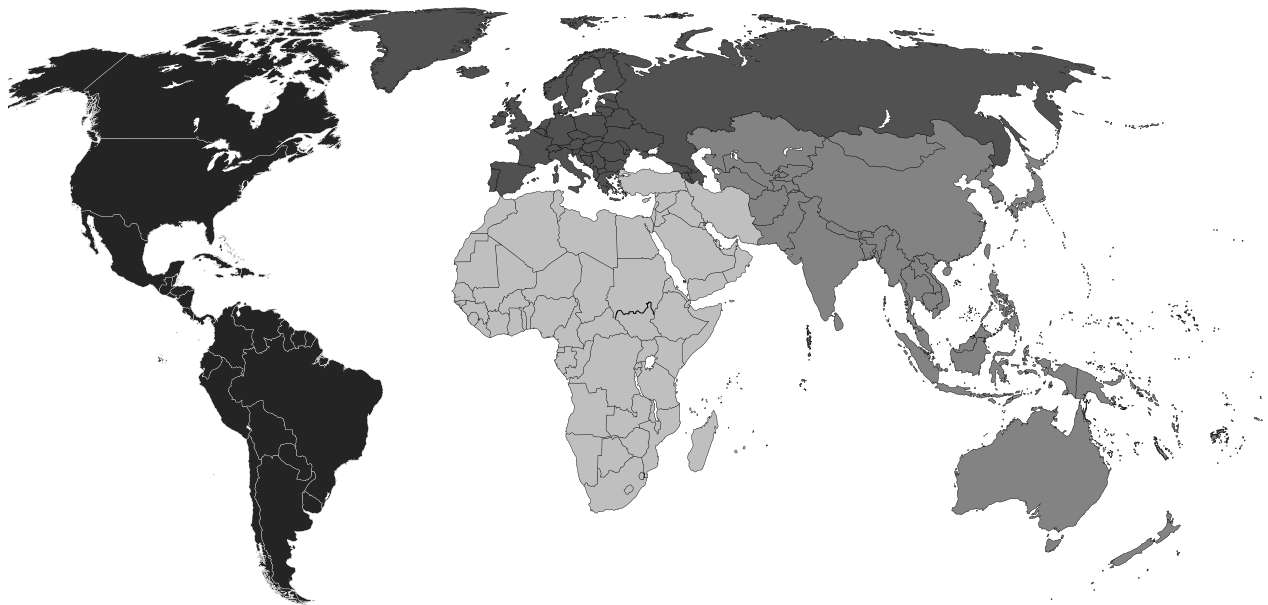
History
Higher level and standard level
Paper 2

Tuesday 8 May 2018 (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.
- Each question is worth **[15 marks]**.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is **[30 marks]**.
- Where the word region is used it refers to the following four regions: Europe, Asia and Oceania, the Americas, and Africa and the Middle East.



Topic 1: Society and economy (750–1400)

1. “There were significant changes in travel and transportation between 750 and 1400.” With reference to **two** societies, each from a different region, to what extent do you agree with this statement?
2. “The support of rulers was the main factor enabling the spread of religion.” With reference to **two** societies, each from a different region, to what extent do you agree with this statement?

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

3. To what extent were tactics the most significant factor in determining the course of **two** medieval wars?
4. With reference to **two** examples, each relating to a different medieval war, discuss the results of treaties **and/or** truces.

Topic 3: Dynasties and rulers (750–1500)

5. Compare and contrast the methods used by **two** medieval rulers to expand their power.
6. “Medieval rulers were mostly successful in overcoming the challenges posed by rebellion and/or political opposition.” Discuss with reference to **two** medieval rulers.

Topic 4: Societies in transition (1400–1700)

7. To what extent was social **and** economic change in **one** early modern society influenced by population movement?
8. Discuss the impact on society and culture of **two** intellectual movements.

Topic 5: Early modern states (1450–1789)

9. Compare and contrast the nature of power and rule in **one** state in ascendancy **and one** state in decline.
10. To what extent were issues of succession the main cause of conflict in **two** early modern states?

Topic 6: Causes and effects of early modern wars (1500–1750)

11. Evaluate the importance of foreign influence and/or involvement in the outcome of **two** early modern wars.
12. Evaluate the political impact of **two** early modern wars.

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

13. Evaluate the significance of mass production in **two** countries, each from a different region.
14. Compare and contrast the impact of industrialization on the standards of living in **two** countries.

Topic 8: Independence movements (1800–2000)

15. Compare and contrast the importance of nationalism to **two** independence movements, each from a different region.
16. To what extent did **one** state, in the first ten years following independence, effectively respond to social **and** economic challenges?

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

17. “Greater equality in democratic states was the result of pressure from suffrage movements.” Discuss with reference to **two** democratic states, each from a different region.
18. Evaluate the impact of democracy on social policies in **two** democratic states.

Topic 10: Authoritarian states (20th century)

19. Compare and contrast the importance of propaganda to the emergence of **two** authoritarian states.
20. To what extent was authoritarian control achieved in **two** 20th-century states?

Topic 11: Causes and effects of 20th-century wars

21. Examine the long- **and** short-term causes of **one** 20th-century war.
22. With reference to **one** 20th-century war, compare and contrast the political repercussions for **two** countries.

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

23. “Economic problems between 1980 and 1991 were the most significant reason for the end of the Cold War.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?
 24. Compare and contrast the impact of **two** leaders, each from a different region, on the development of the Cold War.
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