



**HISTORY**  
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**PAPER 2**

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1 hour 30 minutes

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**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. Examine the part played by **each** of the following in the outbreak of the First World War: alliances; mobilization; Balkan nationalism.
2. With reference to specific examples, account for the adoption of guerrilla warfare and assess its effectiveness.
3. In what ways, and with what success, did post-war peacemakers attempt to deal with the problems which produced the conflict? Specific reference should be made to **two** peace settlements.
4. Compare and contrast the reasons for, and impact of, foreign involvement in **two** of the following: Russian Civil War; Spanish Civil War; Korean War.
5. With reference to **two** wars, each chosen from a different region, explain to what extent the role and status of women was affected.

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

6. Examine the factors which favoured the emergence and growth of independence movements in non-European colonial states in **either** the period 1918–39 **or** the period 1945–65.
7. How successfully did governments in **either** Pakistan (1947–71) **or** Ghana (1957–79) deal with domestic problems?
8. Assess the methods used by **one** nationalist leader to achieve independence in a non-European colonial state.
9. “Despite the achievement of independence, social and economic progress in most newly independent non-European states remained limited.” With reference to **either** Algeria **or** Indonesia, to what extent do you agree with this statement?
10. In what ways, and for what reasons, were **two** newly independent non-European states affected by the Cold War?

**Topic 3 The rise and rule of single-party states**

11. “It was personality and not circumstances that brought rulers of single-party states to power.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?
12. Analyse the methods used to maintain power in **two** single-party states, each chosen from a different region.
13. Examine the economic and social policies of **two** of the following: Lenin; Mussolini; Perón.
14. Compare and contrast the global impact of **two** of the following: Castro; Hitler; Nasser.
15. In what ways, and for what reasons, were culture and education controlled by rulers of single-party states?

**Topic 4 Peace and cooperation: international organizations and multiparty states**

16. How successful was **one** international organization in **either** improving economic and social conditions **or** encouraging trade and regional cooperation?
17. Compare and contrast the peacekeeping efforts of the League of Nations and the United Nations in their first ten years of existence.
18. Account for the establishment of a multiparty state in **either** Japan **or** South Africa .
19. With reference to **one** multiparty state, assess the methods used to deal with economic and political problems which threatened its stability.
20. “Unrealistic aims and weak structure have prevented international organizations from achieving their goals.” With reference to **one** international organization, explain to what extent you agree with this statement.

**Topic 5 The Cold War**

21. Analyse the responsibility of the USA and the USSR for the outbreak and development of the Cold War, up to 1949.
22. Compare and contrast the economic policies and military alliances of the USSR and USA after 1947.
23. To what extent was the movement for non-alignment a development of the Cold War?
24. In what ways, and for what reasons, did the Vietnam War affect superpower relations?
25. Assess the importance of economic issues in ending the Cold War.

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

26. Analyse the part played by religion in Middle East conflicts since 1945.
  27. For what reasons, and with what results, were racial, ethnic and religious minorities persecuted in **two** states, each chosen from a different region?
  28. In what ways, and with what success, did **one** minority (racial, ethnic or religious) attempt to gain equal rights?
  29. “Government persecution of minorities was always undertaken to distract attention from unpopular policies and gain support.” To what extent does the study of minorities in the twentieth century support this view?
  30. In what ways were educational and cultural developments affected by policies in **one** state which upheld and supported an official religion?
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