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HISTORY

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Paper 4 Depth Study

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1 hour 30 minutes



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions, from your chosen Depth Study.
 - Depth Study 1: Europe of the Dictators, 1918–1941
 - Depth Study 2: The History of the USA, 1945–1990
 - Depth Study 3: International History, 1945–1991
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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Depth Study 1: Europe of the Dictators, 1918–1941

Answer any **two** questions.

- 1 'The Bolsheviks won the Civil War due to their opponents' lack of support.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 2 Assess the reasons why democracy came to an end in Italy after 1922. [30]
- 3 'The purges were the most important reason why Stalin retained power.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 4 'His opponents were leaderless and divided.' How far does this explain the lack of effective opposition to Hitler after 1933? [30]

Depth Study 2: The History of the USA, 1945–1990

Answer any **two** questions.

- 5 'The position of women in society saw little change in the period 1945–60.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 6 Evaluate the reasons why Nixon chose to end the gold-dollar standard in 1971. [30]
- 7 Analyse the reasons for Reagan's victory in the Presidential election of 1984. [30]
- 8 Analyse the effectiveness of US foreign policy in Asia in the late 1940s. [30]

Depth Study 3: International History, 1945–1991

Answer any **two** questions.

- 9** How effectively did the United States uphold the Truman Doctrine in the period 1950 to 1963? [30]
- 10** Assess the reasons why Gorbachev undertook reform in the Soviet Union after 1985. [30]
- 11** Assess how far communes were responsible for China's agricultural problems during Mao Zedong's rule. [30]
- 12** How far was the Palestinian refugee issue responsible for the destabilisation of Lebanon during the civil war, 1975–1990? [30]

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