

6522D - Paper 2D

Challenges to Authority and the Struggle for a New Order in France and America in the Late Eighteenth Century

Choose EITHER Option I OR Option II for which you have been prepared and answer ONE question from your chosen Option. Answer both part (a) and part (b) of the question you choose. Start your answer to part (a) on page 3. Start your answer to part (b) on page 8.

Option I – From Colonies to Nation: America, 1763–87

EITHER

1. (a) By what stages did the thirteen colonies develop co-operation in opposing British control in the years before the outbreak of the American War of Independence in 1775? (20)
- (b) Why did the American War of Independence last so long? (40)
- (Total 60 marks)**
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OR

2. (a) In what ways did developments in the years 1783–87 demonstrate the weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation? (20)
- (b) Why were the thirteen colonies able to defeat Britain’s attempts to reassert imperial control in the years 1775–83? (40)
- (Total 60 marks)**
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Option II – France in Revolution, 1776–94

EITHER

3. (a) Describe the political and social reforms that were introduced in France in the months from May to October 1789. (20)
- (b) Why was Louis XVI deposed and later executed? (40)
- (Total 60 marks)**
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OR

4. (a) What were the achievements of the Constituent Assembly from November 1789 to September 1791? (20)
- (b) Why did France collapse into violence and terror in the years 1792–93? (40)
- (Total 60 marks)**
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TOTAL FOR PAPER 2D: 60 MARKS



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**You must answer parts (a) and (b) of the question you choose.
Put a cross in the box indicating the question that you have chosen (☒).
If you change your mind, put a line through the box (☒) and then indicate your new
question with a cross (☒).**

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