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# History

**Advanced  
Unit 3**

**Option E: War and Peace: Twentieth Century International Relations**


Friday 10 June 2011 – Afternoon

**Time: 2 hours**

Paper Reference

**6HI03/E**

**You must have:**

Sources Insert (enclosed) 

Total Marks

## Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- There are two sections in this question paper. Answer ONE question from Section A and ONE question from Section B on the topic for which you have been prepared.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*

## Information

- The total mark for this paper is 70.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- The quality of your written communication will be assessed in ALL your responses  
– *you should take particular care with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression.*

## Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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**6HI03/E – War and Peace: Twentieth Century International Relations**

**SECTION A**

**Answer ONE question in Section A on the topic for which you have been prepared.**

**You should start the answer to your chosen question in Section A on page 3.  
Section B begins on page 11.**

**E1 – The World in Crisis, 1879–1941**

**Answer EITHER Question 1 OR Question 2.**

**EITHER**

- 1** 'The system of European alliances operating in the years 1879–1914 bears little responsibility for the outbreak of the First World War in August 1914.' How far do you agree with this view?

**(Total for Question 1 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 2** 'The peace treaties of 1919–23 were firmly based on President Wilson's Fourteen Points.' How far do you agree with this view?

**(Total for Question 2 = 30 marks)**

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**E2 – A World Divided: Superpower Relations, 1944–90**

**Answer EITHER Question 3 OR Question 4.**

**EITHER**

- 3** 'US-Soviet relations did not fundamentally improve in the 1970s.' How far do you agree with this view?

**(Total for Question 3 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 4** To what extent was the nuclear arms race a stabilising factor in the Cold War between 1949 and 1963?

**(Total for Question 4 = 30 marks)**

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 30 MARKS**

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## SECTION B

Answer ONE question in Section B on the topic for which you have been prepared.

You should start the answer to your chosen question in Section B on page 13.

### E1 – The World in Crisis, 1879–1941

Study the relevant sources in the Sources Insert.  
Answer EITHER Question 5 OR Question 6.

#### EITHER

#### 5 Use Sources 1, 2 and 3 and your own knowledge.

How far do you agree with the view that the League of Nations was unsuccessful in the interwar period because it served only British and French interests?

Explain your answer, using Sources 1, 2 and 3 and your own knowledge of the issues related to this controversy.

**(Total for Question 5 = 40 marks)**

#### OR

#### 6 Use Sources 4, 5 and 6 and your own knowledge.

'Hitler's decision to invade the Soviet Union in June 1941 was driven primarily by economic necessities.'

How far do you agree with this opinion? Explain your answer, using Sources 4, 5 and 6 and your own knowledge of the issues related to this controversy.

**(Total for Question 6 = 40 marks)**



## **E2 – A World Divided: Superpower Relations, 1944–90**

**Study the relevant sources in the Sources Insert.  
Answer EITHER Question 7 OR Question 8.**

**EITHER**

### **7 Use Sources 7, 8 and 9 and your own knowledge.**

How far do you agree with the view that the development of the Cold War between the USA and the Soviet Union in the years 1945–53 was primarily due to traditional great power rivalry?

Explain your answer, using Sources 7, 8 and 9 and your own knowledge of the issues related to this controversy.

**(Total for Question 7 = 40 marks)**

**OR**

### **8 Use Sources 10, 11 and 12 and your own knowledge.**

'The Cold War came to an end mainly because of President Ronald Reagan's policies towards the Soviet Union.' How far do you agree with this opinion?

Explain your answer, using Sources 10, 11 and 12 and your own knowledge of the issues related to this controversy.

**(Total for Question 8 = 40 marks)**

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 40 MARKS**

























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