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ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY GCE
F961/02
HISTORY

British History Period Studies
Option B: Modern 1783–1994

WEDNESDAY 26 MAY 2010: Morning
DURATION: 1 hour 30 minutes

SUITABLE FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED CANDIDATES

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet

OCR SUPPLIED MATERIALS:

8 page Answer Booklet

OTHER MATERIALS REQUIRED:

None

READ INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- **Write your name clearly in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.**
- **Use black ink.**
- **Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.**
- **Answer any TWO questions.**

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- **The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.**
- **The total number of marks for this paper is 100.**
- **This paper contains questions on the following six Study Topics:**
 - **From Pitt to Peel 1783–1846**
 - **Liberals and Conservatives 1846–1895**
 - **Foreign and Imperial Policies 1856–1914**
 - **Domestic Issues 1918–1951**
 - **Foreign and Imperial Policies 1945–1990**
 - **Post-War Britain 1951–1994**
- **There are eighteen questions, three for each Study Topic. Answer any TWO questions.**
- **You should write in continuous prose and are reminded of the need for clear and accurate writing, including structure of argument, grammar, punctuation and spelling.**

Answer any TWO questions

FROM PITT TO PEEL 1783–1846

- 1 How successfully did Lord Liverpool's government deal with the radical challenge from 1812 to 1822? [50]**
- 2 To what extent did the Great Reform Act achieve the aims of the reformers? [50]**
- 3 How successful were Peel's Irish reforms from 1829 to 1846? [50]**

LIBERALS AND CONSERVATIVES 1846–1895

- 4 How far did Gladstone's first ministry of 1868–1874 fulfil the aims of Gladstonian Liberalism? [50]**
- 5 How far was popular pressure the MOST important reason for the passing of the Second Reform Act in 1867? [50]**
- 6 To what extent did Disraeli's second ministry of 1874–1880 improve the condition of the people? [50]**

FOREIGN AND IMPERIAL POLICIES 1856–1914

- 7 How far did the aims of British policy in the Balkans remain the same from 1856 to 1902? [50]**

- 8 ‘The growing German threat was the MOST important reason for Britain ending its policy of splendid isolation.’ How far do you agree? [50]**

- 9 ‘Britain’s entente with France was the MOST important reason for its decision to go to war in 1914.’ How far do you agree? [50]**

DOMESTIC ISSUES 1918–1951

- 10 ‘The loss of working class support was the MOST important reason for the fall of Lloyd George’s government in 1922.’ How far do you agree? [50]**

- 11 How successful was Baldwin as leader of the Conservative party? [50]**

- 12 How far had Britain’s economy recovered from the Depression by 1939? [50]**

FOREIGN AND IMPERIAL POLICIES 1945–1990

- 13 How far did British power decline from 1945 to 1990? [50]**
- 14 Assess the reasons why Britain's nuclear policy caused controversy from 1945 to 1990. [50]**
- 15 How far did the USA influence British foreign policy under Thatcher? [50]**

POST-WAR BRITAIN 1951–1994

- 16 How successful was Macmillan as leader of the Conservative party? [50]**
- 17 'The Labour governments of 1964 to 1970 and 1974 to 1979 failed to solve the economic problems they faced.' How far do you agree? [50]**
- 18 'Thatcher's economic policies failed to achieve significant economic change.' How far do you agree? [50]**

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