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GCE AS/A level

1231/08

HISTORY – HY1

UNIT 1

PERIOD STUDY 8

Aspects of the History of Europe, c. 1878-1989

P.M. WEDNESDAY, 14 May 2014

1 hour 40 minutes plus your additional time allowance

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

In addition to this examination paper, you will need a 12 page answer book.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink, black ball-point pen or your usual method.

Answer TWO questions.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in square brackets at the end of each part-question.

The time you spend on a question should be in proportion to the marks available.

You are reminded that assessment will take into account the quality of written communication used in your answers.

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In your answer to part (a) you are advised to provide a linked and coherent explanation.

In your answer to part (b) you are advised to evaluate the issue named in the question against a range of other important issues.

1.   INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, c. 1878-1914

(a)   EXPLAIN WHY the Alliance system was established.   [24]

(b)   To what extent was Balkan nationalism MAINLY RESPONSIBLE for international tensions in the period 1878-1914?   [36]

2.   **GERMANY, c. 1878-1919**

(a)   **EXPLAIN WHY Germany went to war in 1914.   [24]**

(b)   **To what extent was the dismissal of Bismarck in 1890 the MOST SIGNIFICANT INFLUENCE upon the development of Germany between 1878-1919?**

[36]

3.   **ITALY, c. 1918-1944**

(a)   **EXPLAIN WHY the relationship between Church and State deteriorated after 1929.   [24]**

(b)   **To what extent did the use of propaganda by the Fascists have the GREATEST IMPACT on the Italian people between 1922-1944?   [36]**

4.   **THE COMMUNIST REVOLUTION IN RUSSIA,
     c. 1917-1941**

(a)   **EXPLAIN WHY Stalin won the struggle for power
      in Russia between 1924-1929.   [24]**

(b)   **To what extent was the peasantry the group
      MOST AFFECTED by the Communist Revolution in
      Russia in the period 1917-1941?   [36]**

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