



GCE AS/A level

1231/07



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HISTORY – HY1

UNIT 1

PERIOD STUDY 7

Aspects of the History of Europe, c. 1815-1917

P.M. WEDNESDAY, 13 May 2015

1 hour 40 minutes

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

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

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

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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Answer two questions.

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. Europe, c. 1815-1851

- (a) **Explain why** relations between the Great Powers deteriorated between 1815-1830. [24]
- (b) To what extent were the 1848 revolutions the **most significant threat** to the stability of Europe in the period 1815-1851? [36]

2. Italy, c. 1830-1871

- (a) **Explain why** the Papacy hindered unification in Italy in the period 1848-1871. [24]
- (b) To what extent did Cavour make the **most significant contribution** to Italian unification in the period 1830-1871? [36]

3. Germany, c. 1830-1871

- (a) **Explain why** there was rivalry between Austria and Prussia after 1848. [24]
- (b) To what extent was Prussian military power **mainly responsible** for German unification in the period 1830-1871? [36]

4. The Eastern Question, c. 1815-1856

- (a) **Explain why** the Crimean war broke out. [24]
- (b) To what extent was Russia **mainly responsible** for tensions over the Eastern Question between 1815-1856? [36]

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