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HS03

Alternative A: Medieval Monasticism

A: The Military Orders in the Latin East in the Twelfth Century

How important was the rivalry between the Knights Templar and Hospitaller in the near collapse of the Crusader states in the 1180s?

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Alternative A: Medieval Monasticism

B: The Development of new Monasticism in Twelfth Century Europe

How important was the influence of the Carta Caritatis in the success of the Cistercian order during the twelfth century?

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Alternative B: The French Wars of Religion

A: The Origins of the French Wars of Religion

How important a factor in explaining the outbreak of the French Wars of Religion in 1562 was the developing social and political strength of the Huguenots?

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Alternative B: The French Wars of Religion

B: The Role of individuals and ideas in the French Wars of Religion, 1562 – 1598

How effective was Henry Navarre as the leader of the Huguenots in the years 1576 to 1598?

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Alternative C: The Crisis of the French Monarchy, 1688 – 1789

A: The Regency, 1715 – 1723

How important, in explaining the Regency's failure to solve the problems of France, 1715 – 1723, was the fact that the Regent lacked the authority of an absolute monarch?

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Alternative C: The Crisis of the French Monarchy, 1688 – 1789

B: Cardinal Fleury, 1726 – 1743

Explain why and with what consequences Cardinal Fleury was allowed to control the government of France for so long.

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Alternative D: Europe, 1825 – 1850

A: European Diplomacy, 1825 – 1835

How serious a threat to Great Power relations in the period 1831 – 1833 was the Mehemet Ali crisis?

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Alternative D: Europe, 1825 – 1850

B: The Revolutions of 1848 and their immediate aftermath to 1850

Examine the extent to which divisions within the ranks of the Italian revolutionaries were responsible for the failure to create a united Italy in the period 1848 – 1849.

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Alternative E: The Balkans, 1870 – 1914

A: The Balkans, 1870 – 1890

With what success did the Congress of Berlin secure peace in the Balkans in the years 1878 to 1890?

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Alternative E: The Balkans, 1870 – 1914

B: The Balkans, 1890 – 1914

Explain why events in the Balkans contributed to the growth of international tension in the years 1908 to 1914.

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Alternative F: Revolutionary Russia, 1917 – 1929

A: Lenin and the consolidation of the Bolshevik state 1917 – 1924

How accurate is the view that there was a tightening of Communist control over the USSR between 1921 and the death of Lenin in 1924?

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Alternative F: Revolutionary Russia, 1917 – 1929

B: Stalin's rise to power 1922 – 1929

Why did debates about economic policy play such an important part in the events surrounding Stalin's rise to power in the 1920s?

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Alternative G: Germany, c1925 – 1938

A: The Weimar Republic c1925 – 1933

Explain the importance of the German Chancellors, Brüning, von Papen, and von Schleicher, in the collapse of the Weimar Republic between March 1930 and January 1933.

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Alternative G: Germany, c1925 – 1938

B: The Nazi consolidation of power 1930 – 1938

With what success did Hitler attempt to win the loyalty of the army between 1933 and 1938?

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Alternative H: Decolonisation in Africa

A: Britain and Kenyan Independence, 1953 to 1964

How important was the contribution of Kenyan nationalism to the achievement of Kenyan independence in the years 1953 to 1963?

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Alternative H: Decolonisation in Africa

B: France and Algerian Independence, 1954 to 1962

How important was the part played by de Gaulle in the granting of independence to Algeria?

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Alternative J: The Effects of World War I, 1915 – 1924

A: The accession to power of the Bolsheviks and Lenin's regime

Examine the extent to which practical considerations determined changes in economic policy in Russia in the years 1917 to 1923.

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Alternative J: The Effects of World War I, 1915 – 1924

B: The establishment of the Weimar Republic

Examine the degree to which the flaws of the Weimar constitution explain the continuing instability in the years 1919 to 1923.

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Alternative J: The Effects of World War I, 1915 – 1924

C: ‘Mutilated Victory’: Italy and the First World War, 1915 – 1920

How successful was the Italian government in dealing with protests against the post-war peace settlement in the years 1919 – 1920?

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Alternative K: Aspects of British Economic and Social History, 1870 – 1950

A: Population change in Britain, 1870 – 1945

How important was female emancipation as a reason why the population grew more slowly after 1901?

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Alternative K: Aspects of British Economic and Social History, 1870 – 1950

B: The Cotton Industry in Britain, 1870 – 1950

How important was the opposition of the workers to modernisation as a reason for the decline of the cotton industry by 1950?

In your answer you should **not** refer to the two world wars.

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Alternative L: Inter-War America, 1919 – 1941

A: America, 1919 – 1929

How important was consumerism in creating the economic boom of the 1920s?

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Alternative L: Inter-War America, 1919 – 1941

B: The New Deal, 1933 – 1941

Examine the extent to which the First New Deal had succeeded in solving the USA's economic problems by 1941.

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Alternative M: Aspects of the Norman Conquest, 1066 – 1087

A: The Introduction of Norman Military Feudalism, 1066 – 1087

How important was the part played by knight service in the system of military feudalism in the period 1066 to 1087?

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Alternative M: Aspects of the Norman Conquest, 1066 – 1087

B: Developments in Monasticism, 1066 – 1135

How important was royal patronage in the development of English monasticism in the period 1066 to 1135?

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Alternative N: Aspects of Tudor England, 1483 – c1529

A: Pretenders and Protest in the Reign of Henry VII

“The pretenders Lambert Simnel and Perkin Warbeck represented major threats to Henry VII’s throne.” How accurate is this statement with reference to the years 1485 – 1499?

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Alternative N: Aspects of Tudor England, 1483 – c1529

B: The Career of Thomas Wolsey

How influential was the role of Cardinal Wolsey in the conduct of England's foreign policy from 1515 to 1529?

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HS03

Alternative O: Aspects of Stuart History, 1603 – c1640

A: The Nature of Puritanism and its Threat to the Crown, 1603 – 1625

In the years 1603 to 1618, how serious a threat did the English Puritans pose to the authority of James I both in Church and in State?

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Alternative O: Aspects of Stuart History, 1603 – c1640

B: The Union of the Crowns, 1603 – 1641

Examine the extent to which the problems of Charles I in Scotland in the years 1625 to 1640 were the result of his own mistakes.

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HS03

Alternative P: Aspects of British History, 1714 – 1802

A: The Nature, Extent and Threat of Jacobitism, 1714 – 1746

How important was the part played by the Old Pretender, James Edward Stuart, in the failure of the Jacobite movement in the period 1714 to 1746?

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Alternative P: Aspects of British History, 1714 – 1802

B: The British in India, c1757 – c1802

How important was Robert Clive's contribution to the establishment and development of British influence in India?

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Alternative Q: Aspects of British History, 1815 – 1841

A: Government Response to Poverty

How important were rising costs in influencing the attitude of Whig politicians towards the reform of the Poor Law in the years 1830 to 1833?

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Alternative Q: Aspects of British History, 1815 – 1841

B: Religion and Politics in England and Ireland, c1820 – c1841

How important was Catholic Emancipation in religion and politics in England and Ireland between c1820 and 1829?

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Alternative R: Aspects of British History, 1895 – 1921

A: The Nature and Impact of New Liberalism, 1906 – 1915

Examine the relative importance of ideological and political factors in the emergence of a new kind of Liberalism after 1905.

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Alternative R: Aspects of British History, 1895 – 1921

B: Unionism and Nationalism in Ireland, c1895 – 1921

How important was the First World War as a reason for Sinn Fein's replacement of John Redmond's "Home Rulers" as the more important and popular nationalist party in Ireland by 1918?

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HS03

Alternative S: Aspects of British Economic and Social History, 1750 – 1830

A: Britain's Economy in 1750

Examine the degree to which national markets for agricultural produce and manufactured goods had been established in Britain by 1750.

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Alternative S: Aspects of British Economic and Social History, 1750 – 1830

B: The Standard of Living of the Working Classes, 1780 – 1830

Examine the relative importance of living conditions and incomes to the standard of living experienced by the working classes in the period 1780 to 1830.

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HS03

Alternative T: Aspects of British History, 1832 – 1848

A: The Significance of the 1832 Reform Act

How important was utilitarianism as a cause of the Whig reforms of the 1830s?

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Alternative T: Aspects of British History, 1832 – 1848

B: Chartism, 1838 – 1848

How serious a threat was Chartism to British governments in the years 1838 – 1848?

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Alternative U: Aspects of British History, 1929 – 1951

A: The Making of the Welfare State 1942 – 1951

How thoroughly had the wartime coalition government prepared the way for the Welfare State by 1945?

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HS03

Alternative U: Aspects of British History, 1929 – 1951

B: Winston Churchill in opposition and government, 1929 – 1945

Examine the extent to which Churchill himself was responsible for his frequent conflicts with the leadership of the Conservative Party during the 1930s.