

AS HISTORY

The Making of Modern Britain, 1951–1979

Paper 2S

ADDITIONAL SPECIMEN QUESTION PAPER

1 hour 30 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

• an AQA 12-page answer book.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The Paper Reference is 2S.
- Answer two questions.
 In Section A answer Question 01
 In Section B answer either 02 or 03

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 50.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
- use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Advice

- You are advised to spend about:
 - 50 minutes on Section A
 - 40 minutes on Section B.

Section A

Answer Question 01

Source A

From West Yorkshire Labour MP Charles Pannell's comments in the Commons during the debate over the Commonwealth Immigration Act in 1968.

The real test of feeling will come with the Race Relations Bill, when we decide how we are to deal with the people who are already here, when we have to face up to questions of housing accommodation and all the rest. We had better behave rather better to the people already here, before we take on this extra-commitment. The strain is far too great. There must be any number of immigrants already here, striving to make a living and trying to get better housing, who will welcome this Bill. Let us see that we behave properly to those who have been fellow citizens of ours for some years and then take people in as humanely as we can.

Source B

From the so-called 'Rivers of Blood' speech made by Conservative MP Enoch Powell in 1968 concerning the Race Relations Act.

Mr Heath says that all citizens should be equal and that there shall be no discrimination made between them. However, the discrimination, deprivation and resentment lies not with the immigrants, but with those among whom they have come and are still coming. To the immigrant, entry to this country was admission to privileges and opportunities, the impact upon the existing population was very different. They found themselves made strangers in their own country. They found their wives unable to obtain hospital beds in childbirth, their children unable to obtain school places, their neighbourhoods changed beyond recognition; at work they found employers hesitant to discipline the immigrant worker. They now learn that a one-way privilege is to be established by act of parliament.

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With reference to these sources and your understanding of the historical context, which of these two sources is more valuable in explaining attitudes towards immigration in 1968?

[25 marks]

Section B

Answer either Question 02 or Question 03

EITHER O 2 'Labour lost the election in 1970 because of its economic policies since 1964.' Explain why you agree or disagree with this view. OR O 3 'There had been little progress towards equality for women in society by 1975.' Explain why you agree or disagree with this view. [25 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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