

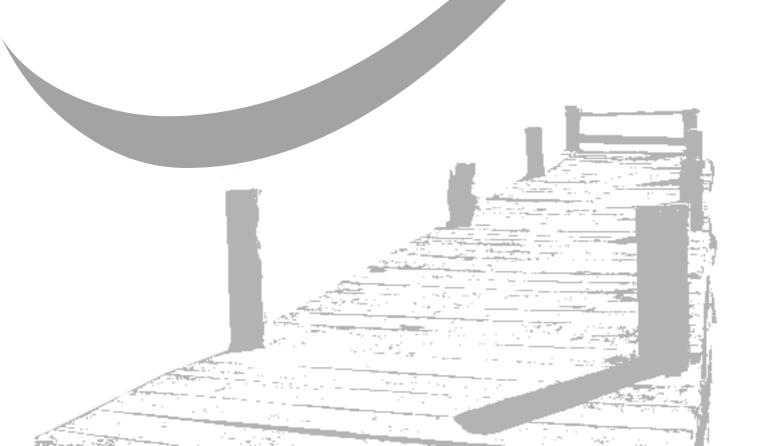
GCE AS and A Level

History

AS exams 2009 onwards A2 exams 2010 onwards

Unit 1M Specimen question paper

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General Certificate of Education SPECIMEN PAPER Advanced Subsidiary Examination



HISTORY Unit 1 USA, 1890–1945 HIS1M

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For this paper you must have:

A 12-page answer book

Time allowed: 1 hour 15 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The *Examining Body* for this paper is AQA. The *Paper Reference* is HIS1M.
- Answer **two** questions.
- In answering the questions you must use your own knowledge and understanding of the period, in particular you should:
 - refer to relevant historical information
 - show an understanding of change and continuity
 - show a knowledge of historical interpretations

Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 72.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- There are 36 marks for each question.
- You will be marked on your ability to use good English, to organise information clearly and to use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Answer two questions.

1

(a) Explain why the USA built the Panama Canal. (12 marks)

(b) How important was the role of President McKinley in the development of American Imperialism in the years 1890 to 1920?

(24 marks)

2

(a) Why was Prohibition introduced in 1919?

(12 marks)

(b) How successful was organised crime in the years 1920 to 1933?

(24 marks)

3

(a) Why did the stock market crash in 1929?

(12 marks)

(b) How far was President Roosevelt able to solve the economic problems of the USA by 1941?

(24 marks)

END OF QUESTIONS