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Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

You may use a soft pencil for any diagrams, graphs or rough working.

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Answer **four** questions.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

All questions in this paper carry equal marks.

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Answer any **four** questions.

- 1 What lasting effects did the slave trade have upon the states and people of West Africa? How far did the transition to legitimate trade affect the economic and social development of that region?
- 2 Explain why Seyyid Said moved his capital from Oman to Zanzibar. What were the nature and extent of Arab influences upon East Africa following this move?
- 3 What factors favoured the growth of Islam and Christianity during this period? Explain the emergence of 'independent' African churches.
- 4 Should the work of David Livingstone be regarded as the remarkable achievements of a determined explorer and missionary or as the basis for the colonial exploitation which followed in East and Central Africa?
- 5 How and why did Menelik establish and maintain his position in Ethiopia? Was his success due more to his own skills and abilities or to external factors?
- 6 Compare and contrast the achievements of Lewanika and Prempeh I in maintaining the essential interests of, respectively, the Lozi and Ashanti nations.
- 7 Within this period, did West Africans benefit more from the French system of Assimilation and Association than from the British system of Indirect Rule?
- 8 Were the Ndebele-Shona Wars of 1896–97 the result of local administrative and natural problems or did they reflect a wider resistance to the colonial exploitation of Central Africa?
- 9 What economic and political considerations led to 'the scramble for Africa'? Assess the results of this 'scramble for Africa'.
- 10 Explain, with examples from West Africa, how local educational and social organisations became a resource for nationalism.

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