

GCE A level

HISTORY - HY4 UNIT 4 PERIOD STUDY 7 ASPECTS OF THE HISTORY OF EUROPE, c. 1815-1917

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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, one from Section A and one from Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or 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, one from Section A and one from Section B.

SECTION A

Answer one question.

1. France, 1848-1870

'Napoleon III was nothing more than an unprincipled opportunist.' Discuss.

[40]

2. Russia, c.1881-1917

'The Tsarist government was far more secure in 1914 than it had been in 1881.' Discuss [40]

SECTION B

Answer one question.

1. International relations c.1815-1914

Were international relations mainly shaped by the experience of war in the period 1815-1914? [40]

2. Germany, c.1815-1914

To what extent was the influence of Prussia the most significant factor affecting change in Germany in the period 1815-1914? [40]