

GCE MARK SCHEME (LEGACY)

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HISTORY - UNIT HY2 DEPTH STUDY 5

BRITAIN c.1929-1939

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INTRODUCTION

This marking scheme was used by WJEC for the 2016 examination. It was finalised after detailed discussion at examiners' conferences by all the examiners involved in the assessment. The conference was held shortly after the paper was taken so that reference could be made to the full range of candidates' responses, with photocopied scripts forming the basis of discussion. The aim of the conference was to ensure that the marking scheme was interpreted and applied in the same way by all examiners.

It is hoped that this information will be of assistance to centres but it is recognised at the same time that, without the benefit of participation in the examiners' conference, teachers may have different views on certain matters of detail or interpretation.

WJEC regrets that it cannot enter into any discussion or correspondence about this marking scheme.

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Part (a)

Distribution of marks within each level for part (a), explaining the weighting for each assessment objective.

	AO1	AO2a	Total
Level 1	1-2 marks	1-2 marks	4
Level 2	3-4 marks	3-4 marks	8

Marking guidance for examiners

Deciding on the mark point within a level

The first stage for an examiner is to decide the overall level and then whether the work represents high or low performance within the level.

Quality of written communication

This issue should have a bearing if the quality of written communication is inconsistent with the descriptor for the level in which the answer falls. In this situation, this may mean not awarding the higher mark within the level.

ASSESSMENT GRID FOR PART (a)

Target: AO1; AO2a Total mark: 8

Focus:

Recall, selection and deployment of appropriate historical knowledge in context; evaluation of source material

Level	Mark	Descriptor		
Award 0 for incorrect or incomplete answers.				
1	1-4	Generally for this level, candidates will recall some historical knowledge. They will show some evidence of understanding of the named issue. They will comprehend and extract some information from the source. Candidates will convey meaning with some clarity, although powers of expression may be limited; there will be some accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
		Low Level 1: 1-2 marks Material seen is brief or very limited in scope; use of source is limited to comprehension; some meaning is conveyed with some accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
		High Level 1: 3-4 marks Limited historical knowledge is deployed; use of source is limited to comprehension and extraction; answer has some coherence and accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
2	5-8	Generally for this level, candidates will recall, select and deploy relevant historical knowledge. They will show sound evidence of understanding of the named issue. They will analyse and evaluate the source material in its historical context. Candidates will communicate clearly with reasonable organisation and appropriate spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
		Low Level 2: 5-6 marks Mostly relevant historical knowledge recalled and selected; some analysis of both content and authorship of source; answer shows good organisation, structure and spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
		High Level 2: 7-8 marks Relevant historical knowledge recalled and selected; sound analysis of source and its context; answer is clearly expressed answers will be coherent, fluent and well-organised with good spelling, punctuation and grammar.		

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INDICATIVE CONTENT FOR PART (a)

NOTE: This content is not prescriptive and candidates are not expected to mention all the material referred to below. Each answer will be assessed on its merits according to the generic mark scheme as well as the indicative content.

QUESTION: 1(a)

What does the author of Source A mean by the phrase "It is a time of uncertainty in which old values seem to be crumbling"

Candidates are expected to use their own knowledge of the period to demonstrate understanding of the phrase and of the context in which it was made. Candidates are expected to analyse both the content and the authorship of the source. Some of the issues to consider may include:

- the context is a period of political and economic upheaval in 1936
- the general rise of minority parties like the BUF, the Communists, and in Wales, the nationalist Plaid Cymru
- the rise of violent confrontation on the streets of London and elsewhere.
- the author's standpoint in relation to this issue, a right wing paper which is supportive of extremist viewpoints and sees a real threat to the establishment which has to be challenged

QUESTION: 2(a)

What does the author of Source C mean by the phrase "The National Government has taken up the task where the deserters have left off"?

Candidates are expected to use their own knowledge of the period to demonstrate understanding of the phrase and of the context in which it was made. Candidates are expected to analyse both the content and the authorship of the source. Some of the issues to consider may include:

- the context is the split within the Labour government with some deciding to follow MacDonald into a newly formed National Government, while others declined to do so
- the author is keen to point out the positive policies of the new government which are having an impact on the economic condition of the country already
- the author's standpoint in relation to this issue, a politically motivated speech, with the intention of persuading voters to support the new Government

Part (b)

Distribution of marks within each level for part (b), explaining the weighting for each assessment objective.

	AO1	AO2a	Total
Level 1	1-3 marks	1-5 marks	8
Level 2	4-6 marks	6-10 marks	16

Marking guidance for examiners

Deciding on the mark point within a level

The first stage for an examiner is to decide the overall level and then whether the work represents high or low performance within the level.

Quality of written communication

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ASSESSMENT GRID FOR PART (b)

Target: AO1; AO2a Total mark: 16

Focus: Recall, selection and deployment of appropriate historical knowledge in context; analysis and evaluation of source material to discuss importance / significance

Level	Mark	Descriptor
	Award 0 for incorrect or incomplete answers.	
1	1-8	Generally for this level, candidates will recall and select limited historical knowledge. They will show some understanding through explanation and analysis of the named issue. They will comprehend and extract information from the sources in relation to the historical enquiry. Candidates will convey meaning with some clarity, although expression may be limited; there will be some accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar.
		Low Level 1: 1-4 marks Some limited historical knowledge is recalled; very limited attempt to consider the importance / significance of the named issue; only comprehends and extracts from sources; some meaning is conveyed with some accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar.
		High Level 1: 5-8 marks Limited historical knowledge is recalled; weak attempt to assess the importance / significance of the named issue; comprehension of source material with limited analysis and evaluation; answer has some coherence and accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar.
2	9-16	Generally for this level, candidates will recall, select and deploy relevant historical knowledge. They will give sound explanation of the importance / significance of the named issue. They will analyse and evaluate the source material in relation to the historical enquiry with a degree of discrimination. Candidates will communicate clearly with reasonable organisation and appropriate spelling, punctuation and grammar.
		Low Level 2: 9-12 marks Mostly accurate, relevant and detailed historical knowledge is recalled, selected and deployed; well-focussed explanation of the significance / importance of the named issue; valid but incomplete analysis and evaluation of the content and authorship of the sources; answer shows good organisation, structure and spelling, punctuation and grammar.
		High Level 2: 13-16 marks Accurate, relevant and detailed historical knowledge is recalled, selected and deployed; full explanation of the significance / importance of the named issue; appropriate analysis and evaluation of both the content and authorship of the sources; answers will be coherent, fluent and well-organised with good spelling, punctuation and grammar.

INDICATIVE CONTENT FOR PART (b)

NOTE: This content is not prescriptive and candidates are not expected to mention all the material referred to below. Each answer will be assessed on its merits according to the generic mark scheme as well as the indicative content.

QUESTION: 1(b)

How significant was the influence of minority parties on British politics in this period?

Candidates are expected to analyse and evaluate both the content and the authorship of the sources as part of an enquiry into the significance of minority parties on British politics. Candidates are also expected to use their own knowledge of the period to demonstrate understanding of the importance of the influence of minority parties on British politics in this period. In relation to the set enquiry and in their analysis of the sources, candidates may consider some of the following issues:

- the influence of minority parties got stronger during the period and this was often followed by violent outbursts
- Source A says that the BUF were growing in popularity and had vast numbers ready to work hard to further their cause.
- Source B says that there was conflict and fighting between different factions
- the Daily Mail had obvious right wing sympathy and may well have given the BUF a positive image. Phil Piratin, a communist, may well be inclined to do the same to his party. Both views come from different political leanings.
- the whole issue of minority party politics in Britain is not covered by the two sources, coming as they do from events in 1936 only. There is no reference to the rise of nationalist parties such as Plaid Cymru in Wales.

QUESTION: 2(b)

How important was the cinema in relieving the experiences of the British public during the Depression years?

Candidates are expected to analyse and evaluate both the content and the authorship of the sources as part of an enquiry into the importance of the cinema in the Depression years. Candidates are also expected to use their own knowledge of the period to demonstrate understanding of the importance of cinema during the Depression years. In relation to the set enquiry and in their analysis of the sources, candidates may consider some of the following issues:

- there is some evidence to indicate that for certain people in certain areas that the cinema was a form of escapism and was popular, but not in everyone's opinion.
- Source A says that things were so bad that the cinema was not a form of escapism as it made them think how awful their lives were
- Source B says that the cinema was popular, a form of escapism.
- the personal viewpoint in Source A may not represent everyone's views as this is a personal
 experience which may not have been universal. The social investigator in Source B may have
 a wider view but again perhaps only a snapshot of experiences in one year

Part (c)

Distribution of marks within each level for part (c), explaining the weighting for each assessment objective.

	AO1	AO2a	AO2b	Total
Level 1	1 mark	1-2 marks	1-5 marks	8
Level 2	2-3 marks	3-4 marks	6-9 marks	16
Level 3	4 marks	5-6 marks	10-14 marks	24

Marking guidance for examiners

Deciding on the mark point within a level

The first stage for an examiner is to decide the overall level and then whether the work represents high or low performance within the level.

Quality of written communication

This issue should have a bearing if the quality of written communication is inconsistent with the descriptor for the level in which the answer falls. In this situation, this may mean not awarding the higher mark within the level.

ASSESSMENT GRID FOR PART (c)

Target: AO1; AO2a; AO2b Total mark: 24

Focus: Recall, selection and deployment of appropriate historical knowledge in context; analysis and evaluation of how aspects of the past have been interpreted and represented in different ways

Level	Mark	Descriptor		
	Award 0 for incorrect or incomplete answers.			
1	1-8	Generally for this level, candidates will recall and select limited historical knowledge. They will comprehend and extract information from the sources. They will use the sources as evidence to support limited arguments. Awareness of different interpretations will be very limited. Candidates will convey meaning with some clarity, although powers of expression may be limited; there will be some accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
		Low Level 1: 1-4 marks Some limited historical knowledge is recalled; extracts material from sources; some meaning is conveyed with some accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
		High Level 1: 5-8 marks Limited historical knowledge is recalled; comprehends and extracts from source material with limited analysis and evaluation; shows some awareness of the interpretations of the issue in the sources; answer has some coherence and accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
2	9-16	Generally for this level, candidates will recall, select and deploy relevant historical knowledge. There will be appropriate but patchy analysis and evaluation of the sources. They will use the sources as evidence to support arguments. They will show an understanding of different interpretations. Candidates will communicate clearly with reasonable organisation and appropriate spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
		Low Level 2: 9-12 marks Some accurate and relevant historical knowledge is recalled, selected and deployed; some appropriate analysis and evaluation of source material; shows awareness of different interpretations of the issue; reasonable expression with some organisation and appropriate spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
		High Level 2: 13-16 marks Mostly accurate and relevant historical knowledge is recalled, selected and deployed; valid analysis and evaluation of source material; sources used to support argument; shows awareness of different interpretations of the issue; clearly expressed with most parts showing clarity and coherence and appropriate spelling, punctuation and grammar.		

Generally for this level, candidates will recall, select and deploy relevant historical knowledge appropriately. They will analyse and evaluate source material with discrimination. They will use the sources appropriately to support arguments. They will show an understanding of how aspects of the past have been interpreted in different ways. They will communicate fluently and clearly, using appropriate language and structure, using standard conventions of spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Low Level 3: 17-20 marks

Mostly accurate, relevant and detailed historical knowledge is recalled, selected and deployed; convincing analysis and evaluation of source material with sources used to support argument; shows how the issue has been interpreted in different ways; answer shows good organisation, structure and spelling, punctuation and grammar.

High Level 3: 21-24 marks

Accurate, relevant and detailed historical knowledge is recalled, selected and deployed; sustained analysis and evaluation of source material with sources used to support argument; shows clear awareness of different interpretations of the issue; answers will be coherent, fluent and well-organised with good spelling, punctuation and grammar.

INDICATIVE CONTENT FOR PART (c)

NOTE: This content is not prescriptive and candidates are not expected to mention all the material referred to below. Each answer will be assessed on its merits according to the generic mark scheme as well as the indicative content.

QUESTION: 1(c)

Do you agree with the interpretation that the Means Test was unfair for the British people?

Candidates are expected to show an understanding of how aspects of the past have been interpreted in different ways. They are also expected to demonstrate their ability to analyse and evaluate source material and use it to support arguments. Answers will consider the content and authorship of the sources and use their own knowledge of other interpretations in making their judgement about the interpretation that the Means Test was unfair for the British public. Some of the issues to consider may include:

- candidates are invited to enter into a debate on the extent to which the Means Test was unfair for the British people. Candidates should be able to consider whether this interpretation is valid and supported or is there evidence to the contrary?
- answers will consider the evidence provided in each source and the circumstances in which each view was expressed. They should consider the motivation behind each source
- Source C suggests that the Means Test was harsh and degrading; it supports the interpretation that the Means Test was unfair.
- Source D is suggesting that there was no out and out protesting at the Means Test; though it was harshly administered in certain areas, it was not unfair.
- the view of the historian in Source D does not support the interpretation. With hindsight it is trying to place the events of the 1930s into a wider perspective.
- candidates will consider alternative interpretations about the Means Test. One other possible
 interpretation is that the Means Test was a genuine attempt to help those most in need at a
 desperate time.

QUESTION: 2(c)

Do you agree with the interpretation that the National Government was largely ineffective?

Candidates are expected to show an understanding of how aspects of the past have been interpreted in different ways. They are also expected to demonstrate their ability to analyse and evaluate source material and use it to support arguments. Answers will consider the content and authorship of the sources and use their own knowledge of other interpretations in making their judgement about the interpretation that the National Government was largely ineffective. Some of the issues to consider may include:

- candidates are invited to enter into a debate on the extent to which the National Government was largely ineffective. Candidates should be able to consider whether this interpretation is valid and supported or is there evidence to the contrary?
- answers will consider the evidence provided in each source and the circumstances in which each view was expressed. They should consider the motivation behind each source
- Source C suggests that the National Government was effective, in charge and working to solve the problems cause by the Depression. It is evidence to challenge the interpretation in the question.
- Source C is from a member of the National Government and as a piece of electioneering from 1931 may well provide a particular pro-Government attitude
- Source D provides a very different interpretation of the National Government; Taylor is very critical of the record of the National Government
- the view of the modern historian is wholly different and with hindsight is looking at the overall picture throughout the period
- candidates will consider alternative interpretations about the work of the National Government. Another possible interpretation is that some of the policies worked, especially when they co-incided with the recovery of the world economy late in the decade.

Part (d)

Distribution of marks within each level for part (d), explaining the weighting for each assessment objective.

	AO1	AO2a	AO2b	Total
Level 1	2 mark	1-6 marks	1-2 marks	10
Level 2	4 marks	7-14 marks	3-4 marks	22
Level 3	6 marks	15-20 marks	5-6 marks	32

Marking guidance for examiners

Deciding on the mark point within a level

The first stage for an examiner is to decide the overall level and then whether the work represents high, mid or low performance within the level.

Quality of written communication

This issue should have a bearing if the quality of written communication is inconsistent with the descriptor for the level in which the answer falls. In this situation, this may mean not awarding the higher mark within the level.

ASSESSMENT GRID FOR PART (d)

Target: AO1; AO2a; AO2b Total mark: 32

Focus: Recall, selection and deployment of appropriate historical knowledge in context; analysis and evaluation of a range of source material with discrimination

Level	Mark	Descriptor		
	1 -2	Award 0 for incorrect or incomplete answers.		
1	1-10	Generally for this level, candidates will recall and select limited historical knowledge. They will comprehend and extract information from the sources. They will use the sources as evidence to support limited arguments. Candidates will convey meaning with some clarity, although powers of expression may be limited; there will be some accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
		Low Level 1: 1-4 marks Some limited historical knowledge is recalled; only comprehends and extracts from some of the nominated sources; some meaning is conveyed with some accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
		Mid Level 1: 5-7 marks Limited historical knowledge is demonstrated; comprehends and extracts from the nominated source material; shows some awareness of the limitations of the given sources; generally comprehensible with some accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
		High Level 1: 8-10 marks Limited historical knowledge is applied; comprehends and extracts from source material with weak analysis of each of the nominated sources; offers a very limited judgement on utility of sources; answer has some coherence and accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
2	11-22	Generally for this level, candidates will recall, select and deploy relevant historical knowledge. There will be appropriate but patchy analysis and evaluation of the sources. They will use the sources as evidence to support arguments. Candidates will communicate clearly with reasonable organisation and appropriate spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
		Low Level 2: 11-14 marks Some accurate and relevant historical knowledge is recalled, selected and deployed; some analysis and evaluation of nominated source material; offers a limited judgement on utility of sources; reasonable expression with some organisation and appropriate spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
		Mid Level 2: 15-18 marks Accurate and relevant historical knowledge is recalled, selected and deployed; some analysis and evaluation of nominated source material; offers an appropriate judgement on utility of sources; there will be some attempt to place the sources in the context of the depth study; clear expression and organisation with appropriate spelling, punctuation and grammar.		
		High Level 2: 19-22 marks Mostly accurate and relevant historical knowledge is recalled, selected and deployed; valid analysis and evaluation of nominated source material; there will be some attempt to place the sources in the context of the depth study; offers a clear judgement on utility of sources; clearly expressed with most parts showing clarity and coherence and appropriate spelling, punctuation and grammar.		

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Generally for this level, candidates will recall, select and deploy relevant historical knowledge appropriately. They will analyse and evaluate source material with discrimination and in relation to the historical context. They will use the sources appropriately to support arguments. They will communicate fluently and clearly, using appropriate language and structure, using standard conventions of spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Low Level 3: 23-25 marks

Accurate, relevant and detailed historical knowledge is recalled, selected and deployed; mostly appropriate analysis and evaluation of nominated source material; offers a supported judgement on utility of some of the sources; there will be a clear attempt to place the sources in the context of the depth study; answer shows good organisation, structure and spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Mid Level 3: 26-29 marks

Accurate, relevant and detailed historical knowledge is recalled, selected and deployed; appropriate analysis and evaluation of nominated source material; offers a supported judgement on utility of all of the sources; there will be an obvious attempt to place the sources in the context of the depth study; answers will be largely coherent, fluent and well-organised. with good spelling, punctuation and grammar.

High Level 3: 30-32 marks

Accurate, relevant and detailed historical knowledge is recalled, selected and deployed; appropriate analysis and evaluation of nominated source material; there will be a sustained focus on dealing with the sources in the context of the depth study; offers a sustained judgement on utility of sources; answers will be coherent, fluent and well-organised with good spelling, punctuation and grammar.

INDICATIVE CONTENT FOR PART (d)

NOTE: This content is not prescriptive and candidates are not expected to mention all the material referred to below. Each answer will be assessed on its merits according to the generic mark scheme as well as the indicative content.

QUESTION: 1(d)

How useful are Sources A, E and F in understanding Britain 1929-1939?

Candidates are expected to demonstrate their ability to analyse and evaluate a range of source material with a high degree of discrimination. Source evaluation skills should focus on discussing the strengths and the limitations of the nominated sources. To judge utility, there should be consideration of the content and the authorship of the nominated sources to discuss reliability, bias, purpose and validity, as appropriate. Candidates are also expected to demonstrate their ability to discuss the sources in the wider context associated with Britain 1929-1939. Some of the issues to consider may include:

- the sources give a useful overview of some of the changes in the period such as the levels of hardship, views about MacDonald and the appeal of the BUF leader Oswald Moseley.
- the poverty and unemployment suffered by many is not covered completely in the three sources, neither are the social and economic problems that prevented many from taking advantage of the new opportunities. Political developments and new leisure opportunities are also needed to build a clearer picture of the period
- the sources provide the views of a social commentator, a politically motivated speech and a satirical cartoon. Candidates should consider the strengths and weaknesses of the sources and should consider issues such as the effect of any bias on utility in respect of the origin and purpose of the sources
- there will be a discussion of the greater range of sources available to an understanding of Britain in this period.

QUESTION: 2(d)

How useful are Sources A, E and F in understanding Britain 1929-1939?

Candidates are expected to demonstrate their ability to analyse and evaluate a range of source material with a high degree of discrimination. Source evaluation skills should focus on discussing the strengths and the limitations of the nominated sources. To judge utility, there should be consideration of the content and the authorship of the nominated sources to discuss reliability, bias, purpose and validity, as appropriate. Candidates are also expected to demonstrate their ability to discuss the sources in the wider context associated with Britain 1929-1939. Some of the issues to consider may include:

- the sources give a useful overview of some of the changes in the period such as the appeal of the cinema, the work of the National Government and influence of minority parties
- the poverty suffered by many is not elaborated upon explicitly in the three sources, neither are
 the social and economic problems that prevented many from taking advantage of the new
 opportunities. Developments in cultural affairs is also not discussed as well as further political
 responses to the depression both by workers and political parties
- the sources provide the views of a person recalling life during the period, a speech by Oswald Moseley and a political poster at election time. Candidates should consider the strengths and weaknesses of the sources and should consider issues such as the effect of any bias on utility in respect of the origin and purpose of the sources
- there will be a discussion of the greater range of sources available to an understanding of Britain in this period.

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