

HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION

1996 MODERN HISTORY

Time allowed—One hour and a half (Plus 5 minutes' reading time)

3 UNIT (ADDITIONAL)

DIRECTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Attempt TWO questions, both from the same Section.
- All questions are of equal value.
- Answer each question in a separate Writing Booklet.
- You may ask for extra Writing Booklets if you need them.

SECTION I INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE WARS

Attempt TWO questions.

Answer each question in a *separate* Writing Booklet.

QUESTION 1

To what extent were the victorious allies of 1919 able to cooperate in dealing with the problems of Europe in the 1920s?

QUESTION 2

International relations were determined by economic conditions in the period from the mid-1920s until the mid-1930s.

To what extent do you agree with this statement? Give evidence for your answer.

QUESTION 3

Using *EITHER* Italy *OR* Germany as a case study, explain how far fascist ideology was the motivation for expansionist policies in the 1930s.

QUESTION 4

EITHER

(a) Why did war break out in Europe in 1939 over Poland, rather than a year earlier over Czechoslovakia?

OR

(b) The USA provoked Japan into war in 1941.

To what extent do you agree with this statement? Give evidence for your answer.

SECTION II AUSTRALIA SINCE WORLD WAR II

Attempt TWO questions.

Answer each question in a *separate* Writing Booklet.

QUESTION 5

EITHER

(a) The Chifley Labor Government radically changed Australian society.

To what extent do you agree with this statement? Give evidence for your answer.

OR

(b) To what extent was the economic prosperity of the 1950s and 1960s determined by government policy?

QUESTION 6

To what extent did fear of communism influence Australian policy towards Asia from the late 1940s to 1975?

QUESTION 7

How do you explain changes in the Aboriginal rights movement in Australia since 1967?

QUESTION 8

How has Australia's increasing engagement with Asia influenced Australian society since 1975?

SECTION III ASIA SINCE WORLD WAR II

Attempt TWO questions.

Question 9 is COMPULSORY.

You must also attempt *EITHER* Question 10 *OR* Question 11 *OR* Question 12. Answer each question in a *separate* Writing Booklet.

QUESTION 9. China

EITHER

(a) To what extent was the Cultural Revolution an expression of Mao's social and political ideals?

OR

(b) Since the death of Mao in 1976, Chinese communism as a social and economic system has died a slow death. All that now remains is its ghost, a pallid justification for conservative, authoritarian rule.

To what extent do you agree with this statement? Give evidence for your answer.

QUESTION 10. Japan

How would you explain the speed of Japan's economic recovery during the 1950s and 1960s?

QUESTION 11. India

To what extent have Indian governments solved India's social problems since 1947?

QUESTION 12. General Question

To what extent has *EITHER* Japan *OR* India successfully adopted Western pluralist democracy since the late 1940s?

SECTION IV REVOLUTIONS

Attempt TWO questions.

Answer each question in a *separate* Writing Booklet.

QUESTION 13

To what extent does discontent among the peasants and/or the industrial proletariat contribute to the outbreak of revolution?

In your answer, refer to revolutions in:

EITHER France and Russia OR China and Cuba.

QUESTION 14

Leaders of a revolution use terror to further their aims.

Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

In your answer, refer to revolutions in:

EITHER France and Russia OR China and Cuba.

QUESTION 15

EITHER

(a) Counter-revolutionary movements may increase the violence, but they do not halt the progress of revolution.

Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

In your answer, refer to revolutions in France and Russia.

OR

(b) No revolution is won by guerilla tactics alone.

Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

In your answer, refer to revolutions in China and Cuba.

QUESTION 16

To what extent do revolutions lead to social, political, and economic progress?

In your answer, refer to revolutions in:

EITHER France and Russia OR China and Cuba.

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