

GCSE HISTORY

Paper 1B/B: Conflict and tension, the inter-war years, 1918-1939

Sources Booklet

Source A for use in answering Questions 01

Sources B and C for use in answering Question 02

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Source A

A cartoon drawn by Viktor Deni in 1919 and published in Soviet newspapers.

Deni was an important Communist and the words in Russian say, 'The League of Nations: Capitalists of all countries unite!' The three seated figures represent France, the US and Great Britain.



Source B

From a cartoon published in a British magazine, August 1935. (A memorandum is a type of note).



THE AWFUL WARNING.

France and England (together?).

"WE DON'T WANT YOU TO FIGHT,
BUT, BY JINGO, IF YOU DO,
WE SHALL PROBABLY ISSUE A JOINT MEMORANDUM
SUGGESTING A MILD DISAPPROVAL OF YOU."

Source C

From a speech by Sir Samuel Hoare, the British Foreign Secretary, to the House of Commons, December 1935.

Mussolini made it clear that if he had to go to war, his aim would be to wipe the name of Abyssinia from the map.

I have been terrified by the thought that we might make Abyssinia think that the League could do more than it can. In the end there would be a terrible moment of disappointment when Abyssinia would be destroyed altogether.

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