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General Certificate of Secondary Education

HISTORY B (MODERN WORLD)

1937/12

PAPER 1 (Core Content with Russia, 1905–1941)

Thursday

9 JUNE 2005

Afternoon

2 hours

Additional materials:

8-page answer booklet

TIME 2 hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, Centre number and candidate number on the answer booklet.
- This paper consists of three sections.
In **Section A**, answer **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2.
In **Section B**, answer any **one** question.
In **Section C**, answer **Question 7** and **one** other question.
- Write your answers, in blue or black ink, in the answer booklet.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what to do before starting your answer.
- Write the numbers of the questions you have answered in the box on the front of the answer booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **75**.
- You will be awarded marks for quality of written communication in part (c) of the following questions: Section B, questions 3, 4, 5 and 6; Section C, questions 8 and 9.

This question paper consists of 8 printed pages.

Section A

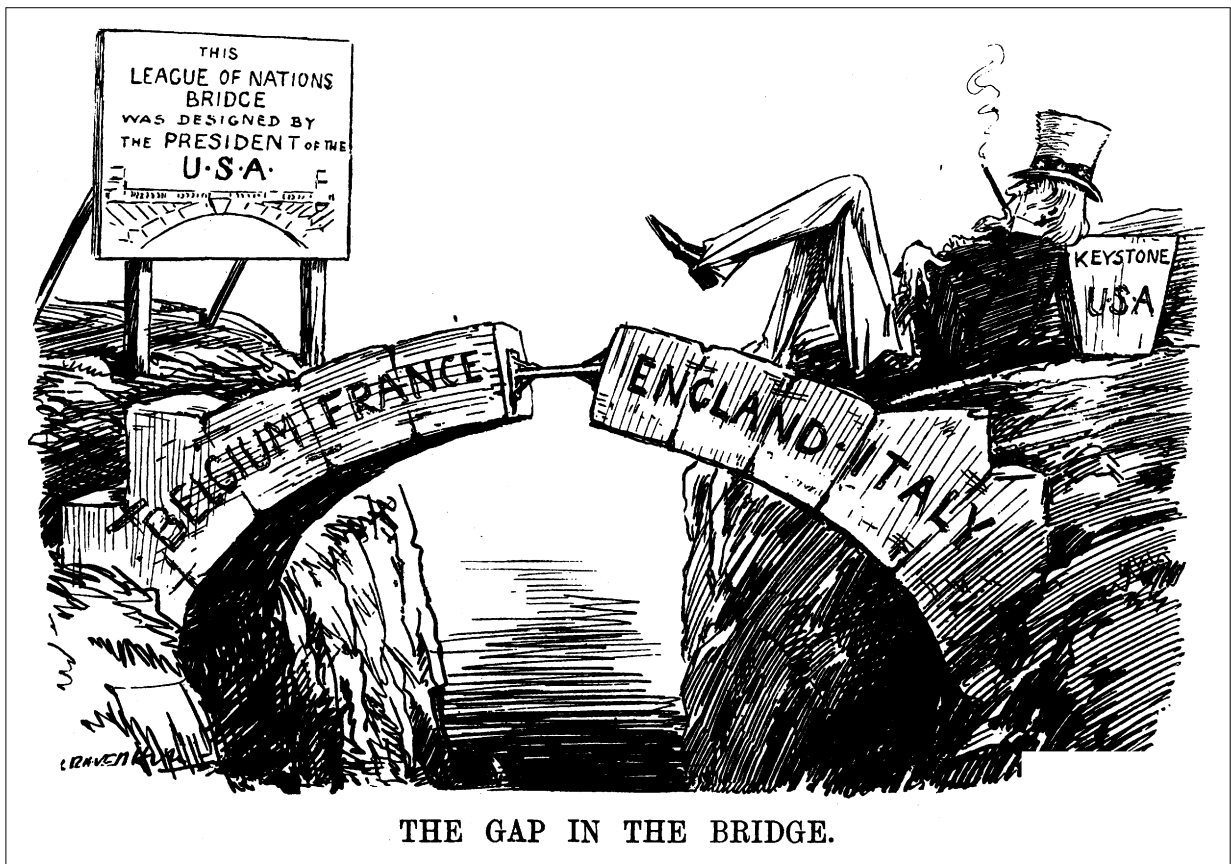
Some of the questions require you to use a source. Where this is the case, you will need to use your knowledge of the topic to interpret the source.

You are advised to spend about 15 minutes on this section.

Answer EITHER Question 1 OR Question 2.

- 1 Study the source carefully and then answer the questions which follow.

SOURCE A



A British cartoon published in 1920. The figure in the top hat represents the USA.

- 1 (a) Study Source A.

What is the message of this cartoon? Use details of the cartoon and your knowledge to explain your answer. [6]

- (b) Explain why the League of Nations was established. [9]

- 2 Study the source carefully and then answer the questions which follow.

SOURCE B



A British cartoon published in 1969. It is commenting on President Nixon's Vietnam policy.

- 2 (a) Study Source B.

What is the message of this cartoon? Use details of the cartoon and your knowledge to explain your answer.

[6]

- (b) Explain why the American forces were pulled out of Vietnam in 1973.

[9]

Section B

You are advised to spend about 35 minutes on this section.

Answer ONE question from this section.

You must answer ALL parts of the question you choose.

- 3 (a) What did Lloyd George hope to achieve from the Treaty of Versailles? [4]
- (b) Explain why Germany was made to pay reparations. [6]
- (c) The following were all **equally important** reasons why Germany hated the Treaty of Versailles:
(i) limitations on its armed forces;
(ii) the loss of raw materials and industries;
(iii) the loss of land.
Do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer, referring only to (i), (ii) and (iii). [10]
- 4 (a) What was agreed at the Munich Conference in 1938? [4]
- (b) Explain why Germany and the Soviet Union signed the Nazi-Soviet Pact in 1939. [6]
- (c) The following were all **equally important** reasons why there was a world war in 1939:
(i) Hitler's aggressive foreign policy;
(ii) the failure of the League of Nations;
(iii) the policy of appeasement.
Do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer, referring only to (i), (ii) and (iii). [10]
- 5 (a) What was agreed at the Potsdam Conference in 1945? [4]
- (b) Explain why the Soviet Union's blockade of Berlin failed in 1949. [6]
- (c) The following were all **equally important** reasons why the Soviet Union gained control of Eastern Europe by 1948:
(i) the Red Army;
(ii) the secret police;
(iii) the weakness of Eastern European countries.
Do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer, referring only to (i), (ii) and (iii). [10]
- 6 (a) What was the 'Prague Spring' of 1968? [4]
- (b) Explain why 'Solidarity' was set up in Poland. [6]
- (c) The following were all **equally important** reasons why Soviet control of Eastern Europe collapsed in 1989:
(i) the effects of 'Solidarity' in Poland;
(ii) the policies of Gorbachev;
(iii) the weakness of the Communist governments in Eastern European countries.
Do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer, referring only to (i), (ii) and (iii). [10]

Section C: Depth Study

Russia, 1905–1941

Some of the questions require you to use sources. Where this is the case, you will need to use your knowledge of the topic to interpret and evaluate the sources. When you are asked to use specific sources you must do so, but you may also use any of the other sources within the question if they are relevant.

You are advised to spend about 70 minutes on this section.

Answer Question 7 and ONE other question.

- 7 Study the sources carefully and then answer the questions which follow.

SOURCE C



A cartoon about Bloody Sunday. It was published in a Russian political magazine in 1905. The skeleton represents the forces of the Tsar.

SOURCE D

Sunday 22 January, 1905

A painful day. There have been serious disorders in St Petersburg because workers wanted to come up to the Winter Palace. Troops had to open fire in several places in the city; there were many killed and wounded. God, how painful and sad! Mama arrived from town. We went straight to church. I lunched with the family and went for a walk. Mama stayed overnight.

An extract from Tsar Nicholas II's diary, recording events of Bloody Sunday.

SOURCE E



A cartoon about Rasputin, published in Russia. The words say 'The Russian Tsars at home'.

7 (a) Study Source C.

Why do you think this cartoon was published in 1905? Use the source and your knowledge to explain your answer. [6]

(b) Study Source D.

How is this source useful evidence for historians studying early twentieth-century Russia? Use the source and your knowledge to explain your answer. [7]

(c) Study Source E.

Was this cartoon published by supporters or opponents of the Tsar? Use the source and your knowledge to explain your answer. [7]

Choose ONE of the following two questions.

You must answer ALL parts of the question you choose.

- 8** (a) Who supported the White Army in the Civil War? [4]
- (b) Explain why Lenin introduced War Communism. [6]
- (c) 'The most important reason why the Bolsheviks won the Civil War was Trotsky.' Do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer. [10]
- 9** (a) What were Stalin's Purges? [4]
- (b) Explain why Stalin used labour camps in the 1930s. [6]
- (c) How far did the Soviet people benefit from Stalin's dictatorship? Explain your answer. [10]

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