



## GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION

### HISTORY B (MODERN WORLD)

# A971/17

Aspects of International Relations, 1919–2005, with The USA, 1945–1975:  
Land of Freedom?

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet

**OCR Supplied Materials:**

- 8 page Answer Booklet

**Other Materials Required:**

None

**Monday 18 January 2010**

**Afternoon**

**Duration: 2 hours**



#### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name clearly in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- Use black ink.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what to do before starting your answer.
- This paper is in two parts:

Part 1: Aspects of International Relations, 1919–2005 (Sections A, B and C)  
and

Part 2: Depth Study The USA, 1945–1975: Land of Freedom?

In **Part 1**, Aspects of International Relations, choose **one** of the following sections:

**Either** Section A: The Inter-War Years, 1919–1939

**Or** Section B: The Cold War, 1945–1975

**Or** Section C: A New World? 1948–2005.

Then answer **Question 1** and **one** other question from the section you have chosen.

In **Part 2**, Depth Study The USA, 1945–1975: Land of Freedom?, answer **Question 4** and **one** other question.

- Write the numbers of the questions you have answered in the box on the front of the answer booklet.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

#### 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:  
**Part 1:** Sections A, B and C, Questions 2 and 3; **Part 2:** Questions 5 and 6.
- This document consists of **12** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

## Part 1: Aspects of International Relations, 1919–2005

## Section A: The Inter-War Years, 1919–1939

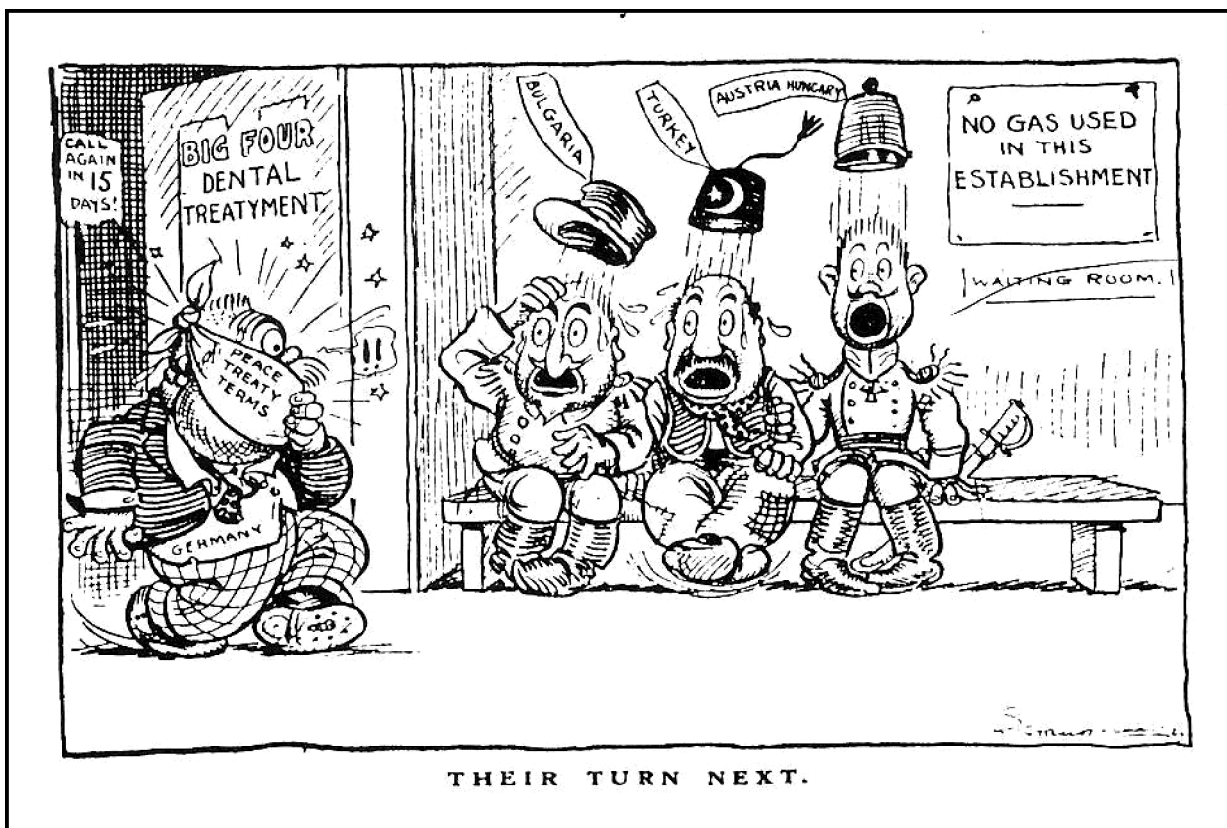
Some of the questions require you to use a source. In these questions, you will need to use your knowledge of the topic to interpret the source.

Answer Question 1 and EITHER Question 2 OR Question 3.

You should spend about 15 minutes on Question 1.

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

## SOURCE A



*A cartoon published in a British newspaper, May 1919. It is commenting on the Paris Peace Conference. Gas was a common anaesthetic used by dentists at the time.*

- 1 (a) Study Source A.

What is the message of this cartoon? Use details of the cartoon and your knowledge to explain your answer. [7]

- (b) Explain why the Germans were shocked when the terms of the Treaty of Versailles were announced in May 1919. [8]

**Answer ONE of the following two questions.**

**You must answer ALL parts of the question you choose.**

**You should spend about 35 minutes on this question.**

- 2** (a) What were the aims of the League of Nations? [4]
- (b) Explain why the League was able to achieve some successes in the 1920s in dealing with international disputes. [6]
- (c) How far was the Great Depression responsible for the failure of the League? Explain your answer. [10]
- 3** (a) Describe events in the Rhineland in 1936. [4]
- (b) Explain why Hitler wanted to unite Germany and Austria. [6]
- (c) How far was the Treaty of Versailles responsible for the outbreak of war in 1939? Explain your answer. [10]

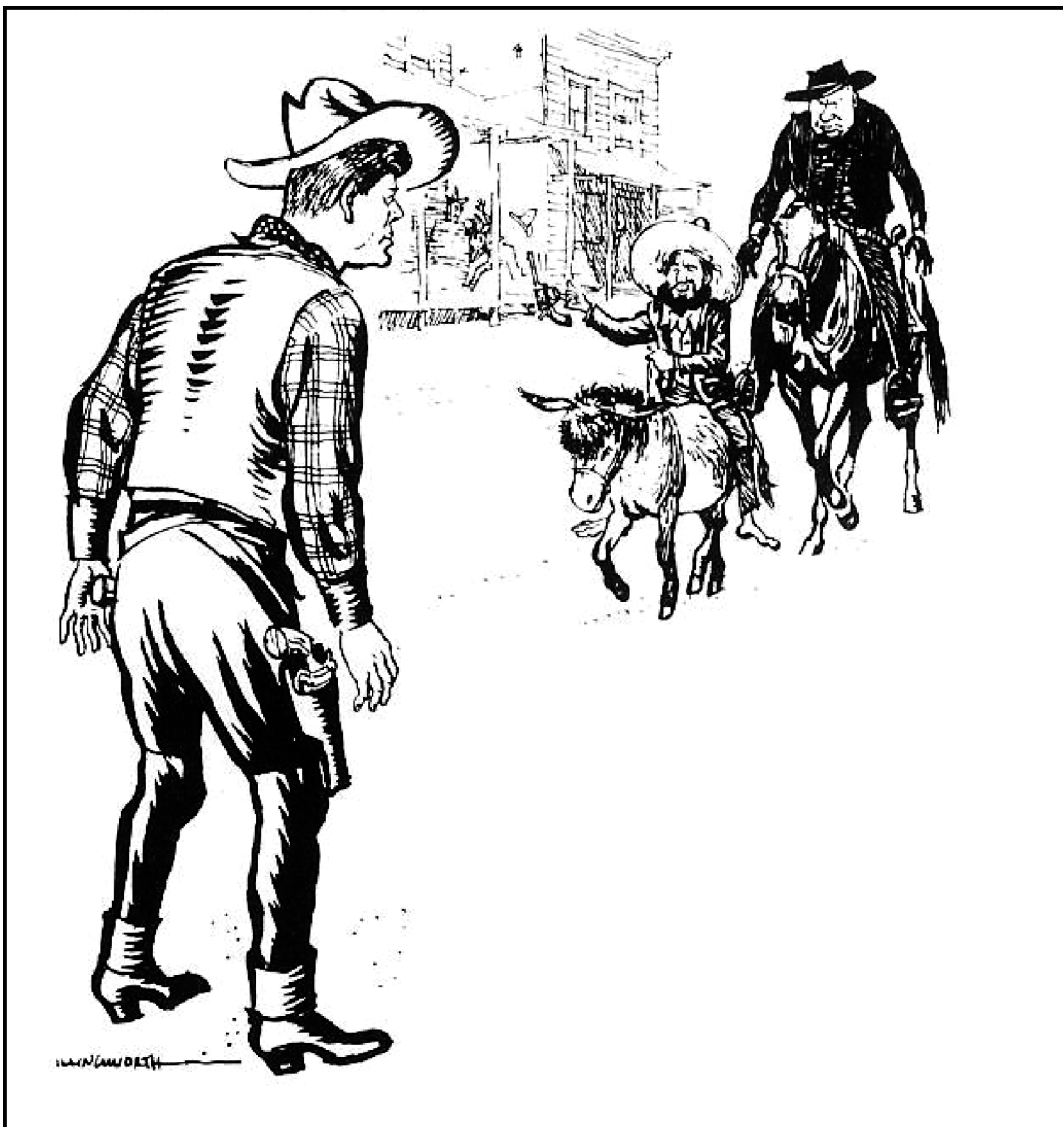
**Part 1: Aspects of International Relations, 1919–2005****Section B: The Cold War, 1945–1975**

Some of the questions require you to use a source. In these questions, you will need to use your knowledge of the topic to interpret the source.

Answer Question 1 and EITHER Question 2 OR Question 3.

You should spend about 15 minutes on Question 1.

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

**SOURCE A**

*A cartoon published in a British newspaper on 24 October 1962. Kennedy and Khrushchev are shown as gunslingers. Castro is on the donkey.*

- 1 (a) Study Source A.

What is the message of this cartoon? Use details of the cartoon and your knowledge to explain your answer. [7]

- (b) Explain why Kennedy could claim victory in the Cuban Missile Crisis. [8]

**Answer ONE of the following two questions.**

**You must answer ALL parts of the question you choose.**

**You should spend about 35 minutes on this question.**

- 2 (a) What was decided at the Yalta Conference in February 1945? [4]

(b) Explain why there was a breakdown in relations between the USSR and the West from 1945 to 1946. [6]

(c) 'The Berlin Blockade was more to blame than the Marshall Plan for increasing Cold War tension.' How far do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer. [10]

- 3 (a) What involvement did America have in Vietnam between 1954 and 1962? [4]

(b) Explain why the Communists used guerrilla tactics in the Vietnam War. [6]

(c) 'The main reason for American withdrawal from Vietnam was the Tet Offensive of 1968.' How far do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer. [10]

## Part 1: Aspects of International Relations, 1919–2005

## Section C: A New World? 1948–2005

Some of the questions require you to use a source. In these questions, you will need to use your knowledge of the topic to interpret the source.

Answer Question 1 and EITHER Question 2 OR Question 3.

You should spend about 15 minutes on Question 1.

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

## SOURCE A



*A cartoon published in a British newspaper, 1982. The men shown in the cartoon are American President Reagan (standing) and Arafat.*

**1 (a)** Study Source A.

What is the message of this cartoon? Use details of the cartoon and your knowledge to explain your answer. [7]

**(b)** Explain why Arafat's leadership was important to the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO). [8]

**Answer ONE of the following two questions.**

**You must answer ALL parts of the question you choose.**

**You should spend about 35 minutes on this question.**

**2 (a)** Describe the events in Hungary in 1956. [4]**(b)** Explain why the Soviet Union was worried by developments in Czechoslovakia in 1968. [6]**(c)** How far was Solidarity the main reason for the decline of Soviet power in Eastern Europe? Explain your answer. [10]**3 (a)** Describe Saddam Hussein's human rights record. [4]**(b)** Explain why there was international opposition to the invasion of Iraq in 2003. [6]**(c)** How far did the invasion of Iraq benefit the Iraqi people? Explain your answer. [10]

## Part 2: Depth Study

## The USA, 1945–1975: Land of Freedom?

Some of the questions require you to use sources. In these questions, you will need to use your knowledge of the topic to interpret and evaluate the sources.

You should spend about 70 minutes on this section.

Answer Question 4 and ONE other question.

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

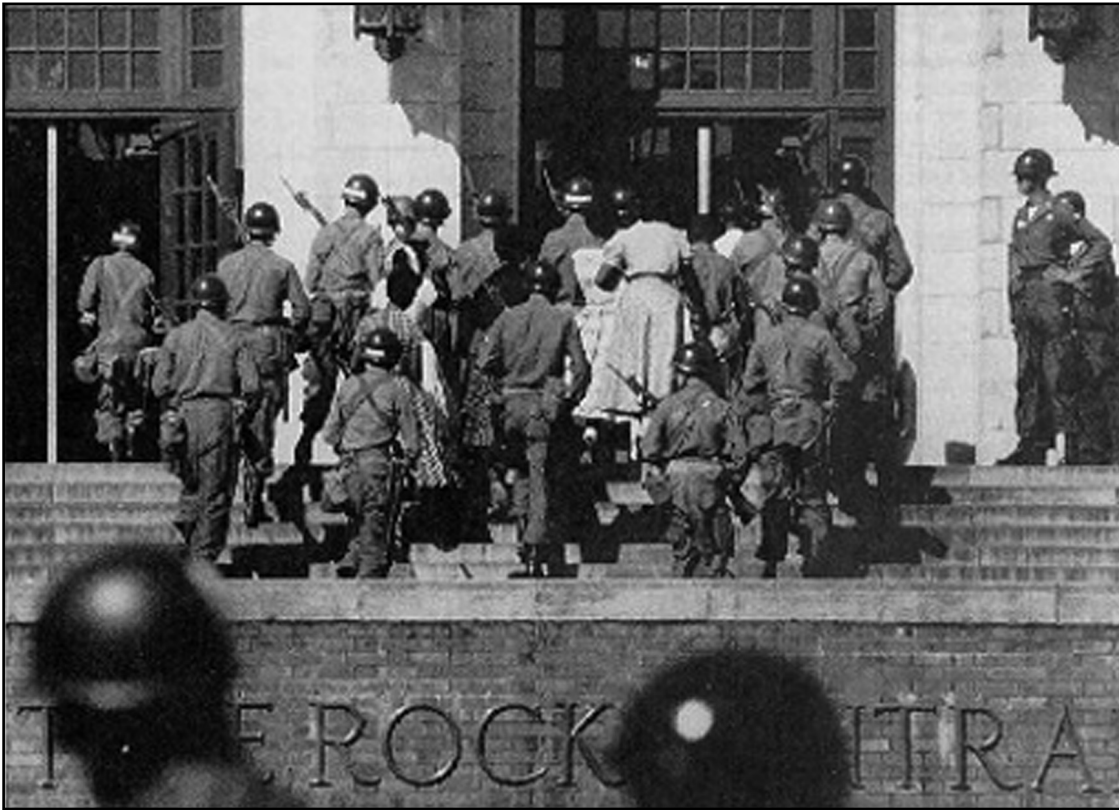
## SOURCE B



*A cartoon published in America in 1954 commenting on a decision of the Supreme Court.*



## SOURCE C



*A photograph published in an American newspaper showing the National Guard at a High School in Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1957.*

## SOURCE D

I think 5 December 1956 is an important date for all of us in the US to remember. The bus protest carried on by the coloured people of Montgomery, without violence, has been one of the most remarkable achievements of people fighting for their own rights with the most remarkable restraint and discipline that we have ever witnessed in this country.

*Eleanor Roosevelt, speaking in 1956. Eleanor was the wife of US President Franklin D. Roosevelt. After her husband's death in 1945 she continued in politics.*

## 4 (a) Study Source B.

What is the message of this cartoon? Use the source and your knowledge to explain your answer. [7]

## (b) Study Source C.

Why was this photograph taken? Use the source and your knowledge to explain your answer. [6]

## (c) Study Source D.

How far does this source explain why the Montgomery Bus Boycott was important? Use the source and your knowledge to explain your answer. [7]

**Answer ONE of the following two questions.**

**You must answer ALL parts of the question you choose.**

## 5 (a) Describe the activities of Senator McCarthy. [4]

## (b) Explain why McCarthy was popular with many Americans. [6]

## (c) How far were the actions of the Supreme Court responsible for the ending of McCarthyism? Explain your answer. [10]

## 6 (a) What were the aims of the Black Panther Party? [4]

## (b) Explain how Martin Luther King increased public awareness of racial inequality. [6]

## (c) 'The policies of President Kennedy and President Johnson were equally important in the move towards racial equality.' How far do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer. [10]



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