



GCSE

4272/04

HISTORY

UNIT 2: STUDY IN-DEPTH

Russia in Transition, 1905-1924

P.M. TUESDAY, 14 June 2016

1 hour 15 minutes plus your additional time allowance

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Candidate Number 0 _____

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Question	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
1.	17	
2.	18	
3.	16	
SPaG	3	
Total	54	

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink, black ball-point pen or your usual method.

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the front cover.

Answer ALL the questions on the examination paper.

Write your answers in the spaces provided in this booklet. If you run out of space, use the continuation page at the back of the booklet, and if this is not sufficient use supplementary sheets. Write your name at the top of each supplementary sheet, indicating clearly the number of the question you answer. Put the supplementary sheets inside this booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

You are reminded that assessment will take into account the quality of written communication used in your answers that involve extended writing. These are question 1(c) and question 3(b).

In addition, your ability to spell, punctuate and use grammar accurately will be assessed in your answer to question 3(b).

SOURCE A

A private market in Moscow in 1922. Large numbers of men and women can be seen wandering around between the long rows of stalls. In front of some of the stalls, items of furniture are piled up.

Answer ALL questions.

QUESTION 1

This question is focused on the development of the Communist state, 1921-1924. [17]

Study the source opposite and then answer the question which follows.

- (a) Use Source A and your own knowledge to describe the main features of the New Economic Policy. [3]**

Study these two sources which refer to how the Communists had lost the support of many Russian people by 1921 and answer the question which follows.

SOURCE B

For three years the Communist government have denied the people freedom of speech. Those who speak against them have found themselves in the torture chambers of the Cheka. The peasants and workers have been enslaved and demand more freedom. The communists have lost our loyal support. We are determined to rise up against the dictatorship of the Bolshevik party.

[The Kronstadt rebels, writing in their newspaper 'Izvestia' published in 1921]

SOURCE C

By spring 1921 the economic situation in the country under Communist rule had got worse. Key industries such as mining, oil and steel had declined dramatically. Food production had been halved. Lenin's War Communism policy had made the situation worse for the Russian people. Economic recovery was the only way to win back their support.

[Christopher Read, a specialist economic historian on Russia, in his book From Tsar to Soviets published in 1996]

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END OF QUESTION 1

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3(b) Were the weaknesses of the White army the main reason for its failure to win the Civil War? [12]

In your answer you should discuss the weaknesses of the White army and other reasons for its failure to win the Civil War.

Marks for spelling, punctuation and the accurate use of grammar are allocated to this question. [3]

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END OF QUESTION 3

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