



**HISTORY**  
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**PAPER 3 – SOUTH ASIA AND THE MIDDLE EAST (INCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)**

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2 hours 30 minutes

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer three questions.

1. Assess the significance of Warren Hastings in the extension of British rule in India.
2. Analyse the causes and consequences of the Great Revolt of 1857.
3. Assess the reasons for **either** Islamic **or** Hindu reform movements developing in **one** country in the region in the nineteenth century.
4. How successful were the attempts to deal with the internal and external weaknesses of the Ottoman Empire between 1800 and 1850?
5. To what extent was the British presence in Egypt between 1882 and 1922 an occupation?
6. “The Lebanese Civil War of 1860 was caused by economic as well as communal tensions.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?
7. “The partition of Bengal in 1905 had a significant effect on Indian nationalist politics.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?
8. To what extent did defeat in the First World War contribute to the collapse of the Ottoman Empire in 1923?
9. Why, and with what results, was there a constitutional revolution in Iran in 1906?
10. Assess the consequences for the Middle East of the First World War peace settlements.
11. To what extent was Attatürk successful in modernizing and secularizing Turkey by 1938?
12. How significant was the contribution of nationalism in Egypt to the overthrow of the monarchy in 1952?
13. Analyse the problems faced by Britain as a mandatory power in Palestine up to 1939.
14. “Jinnah was a practical as well as charismatic leader.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?
15. Analyse political and economic developments in Algeria between 1962 and 1978.

16. How significant was support of the military in ensuring the political dominance of President Assad of Syria (1970–2000)?
  17. Assess the successes and failures of Nehru’s foreign policy.
  18. Evaluate the impact of Rajiv Gandhi’s premiership on India in the years 1984–1989.
  19. Compare and contrast the roles of Zulfikar Ali Bhutto and Mujibur Rahman in causing the civil war in 1971.
  20. Analyse the impact of Khomeini’s Islamic policies on Iranian society.
  21. “The Palestinian presence in Lebanon was the main cause of civil war in 1975.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?
  22. Compare and contrast the causes and consequences of the 1967 and 1973 Arab-Israeli wars.
  23. To what extent could the invasion of Afghanistan by the Soviet Union in 1979 be considered a consequence of Cold War rivalry?
  24. “King Hussein of Jordan’s greatest successes and failures were in foreign policy.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?
  25. With reference to **one** state in the region analyse how effectively it has been governed since 1950.
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