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HISTORY
ROUTE 2
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PAPER 3 – ASPECTS OF THE HISTORY OF EUROPE AND THE MIDDLE EAST

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2 hours 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer three questions. Each question is worth *[20 marks]*.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is *[60 marks]*.



The French Revolution and Napoleon — mid eighteenth century to 1815

1. “The revolutionary wars of 1792–1796 were to defend France and not spread revolution.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?
2. How successful was the Congress of Vienna in achieving the aims of the peacemakers?

Unification and consolidation of Germany and Italy 1815–1890

3. Analyse the causes and consequences of the 1848 revolutions in the German states.
4. Assess the contribution made by other powers to the unification of Italy (1848–1871).

Ottoman Empire from the early nineteenth to the early twentieth century

5. Assess the importance of the Eastern Question for major European powers between 1850 and 1880.
6. Analyse the impact of the Committee of Union and Progress on the Ottoman Empire between 1908 and 1914.

Western and Northern Europe 1848–1914

7. Assess the successes and failures of Gladstone’s Irish policies.
8. Analyse the major political developments in any **one** country you have studied between 1848 and 1914.

Imperial Russia, revolutions, emergence of Soviet State 1853–1924

9. Compare and contrast the domestic policies of Alexander II (1855–1881) and Alexander III (1881–1894).
10. “Lenin was able to consolidate Bolshevik rule in Russia by combining popular policies and repression.” To what extent do you agree with this statement about Bolshevik rule up to 1924?

European diplomacy and the First World War 1870–1923

11. Assess the importance of Balkan nationalism as a reason for the outbreak of the First World War.
12. Why were the Central Powers defeated by 1918?

War and change in the Middle East 1914–1949

13. “Economic and religious issues were the main cause of tension in the Palestine Mandate between 1920 and 1939.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?
14. For what reasons, and with what consequences, was Reza Khan able to gain power in Iran in 1924?

Interwar years: conflict and cooperation 1919–1939

15. Compare and contrast the reasons for the rise to power of Hitler and Mussolini.
16. “The policy of appeasement was a major cause of the outbreak of war in 1939.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?

The Soviet Union and Eastern Europe 1924–2000

17. Analyse the reasons for Stalin’s emergence as Lenin’s successor by 1929.
18. “The main aim of Brezhnev’s policies was to maintain the Soviet System.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?

The Second World War and post-war Western Europe 1939–2000

19. Why had Germany been divided into East and West by 1949?
20. Assess the extent of economic integration in Europe by the 1990s.

Post-war developments in the Middle East 1945–2000

21. “The impact of the White Revolution was a major factor in the overthrow of the Shah in 1979.”
To what extent do you agree with this statement?

22. Analyse the nature of political developments between 1945 and 2000 in any **one** Middle Eastern state you have studied (excluding Egypt).

Social and economic developments in Europe and the Middle East in the nineteenth or twentieth century

23. Assess the impact of educational change on society over a fifty year period in any **one** country you have studied up to the year 2000.

 24. Examine the impact of religion on society in any **one** country you have studied up to the year 2000.
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