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**HISTORY  
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PAPER 3 – AMERICAS**

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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. Compare and contrast the main features of the administration of British and Spanish colonies by the middle of the eighteenth century.
2. Evaluate the relative impact of economic measures and political ideas, in promoting independence in **two** colonies of the region.
3. Why did the Articles of Confederation fail to provide strong government?
4. “The nineteenth century did not bring Latin America the order and prosperity that the liberators had hoped for.” With reference to **two** or more countries, to what extent do you agree with this judgment?
5. For what reasons and, in what ways, did supporters of slavery in the nineteenth century use legal, religious, and economic arguments in its defence?
6. Assess the relative strengths of the North and the South at the beginning of the United States Civil War in 1861.
7. Why were some Canadian provinces not interested in Confederation by 1867?
8. Explain why there was a high level of immigration into **one** country of the region, in the second half of the nineteenth century.
9. Analyse the main literary trends in **two** countries of the region between the 1850s and 1920s.
10. Explain how and why the position of African Americans improved in United States society between 1877 and 1945.
11. “The main aim of Franklin Roosevelt’s policy towards Latin America (1933-45) was to improve relations between the two regions.” Assess the validity of this statement.
12. Examine the major stages of the Mexican Revolution (1910-20) and explain the programmes of **three** of the most important leaders.
13. Analyse the main developments in Canada’s economic relations with the United States in the first half of the twentieth century.
14. Analyse the causes of the Great Depression in **one** country in the Americas.

15. For what reasons, and by what means, did **either** Perón **or** Vargas obtain power?
  16. Why did the United States become involved in the Second World War?
  17. Analyse the relations between the United States and **either** Canada **or** one country in Latin America, between 1945 and 1965.
  18. Compare and contrast the causes of **two** revolutionary movements in Latin America after 1945.
  19. Assess the successes and failures of the foreign policies of **either** Eisenhower (1953-61) **or** Kennedy (1961-63).
  20. For what reasons, and in what ways, did the Civil Rights movement in the United States become more radical between 1965 and 1968?
  21. “By the late 1960s it seemed to many Americans that the forces of chaos and radicalism were taking control of the nation.” To what extent did the domestic policies of **either** Richard Nixon (1969-74) **or** Jimmy Carter (1977-81) address this situation?
  22. Analyse the policies introduced by Canada with respect to **two** of her minorities in the twentieth century.
  23. In what ways, and to what extent, did the foreign policy of Ronald Reagan (1981-89) affect the Cold War?
  24. Compare and contrast the progress made by women since 1945 in **two** countries in the region.
  25. To what extent was the Organization of American States (OAS) successful as a mediator in hemispheric conflicts between 1950 and 1990?
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