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**World History since 1917**

Thursday, 18 May 2006 : 2.30pm to 5.30pm

Candidates should answer **FOUR** of the following **TWENTY** questions. All questions carry equal marks.

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1. To what extent did the United States rejection of the Treaty of Versailles mark the end of American internationalism and the start of isolationism in the 1920s?
2. How far was the Great Depression responsible for Japan's aggressive foreign policy in the 1930s?
3. To what extent did British policy after 1929 contribute to the Arab-Jewish conflict in Palestine?
4. What factors produced tension in the Grand Alliance during the Second World War?
5. Did military victories or political success contribute most after 1945 to the Chinese Communist victory in the Civil War?
6. Analyse the role of ideology in the origins and early development of the Cold War between 1944 and 1953.
7. To what extent did the Eisenhower administration become more committed to disarmament agreements with the Soviet Union after 1957?
8. What was Khrushchev trying to achieve in his relations with the United States before 1963?
9. 'The Sino-Soviet split resulted from different approaches to revolutions and conflict outside Europe.' Discuss.
10. To what extent did the Suez crisis result from the conflict between Israel and Egypt?
11. Why was Castro's seizure of power and the initial development of the Cuban revolution so successful?
12. Was the CIA orchestrated coup in Guatemala primarily designed to protect American economic interests or prevent the spread of Soviet influence?
13. To what extent was the coup against Allende produced by popular resentment of his domestic reforms?
14. Analyse the relative importance of the role of MITI in producing Japanese economic recovery after 1949?
15. To what extent did **either** the United States **or** the United Nations contribute to the successful establishment of a united Congo by 1963?
16. What was Nixon's policy of 'Vietnamisation' designed to achieve and what were its actual results?

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17. 'Détente failed because Soviet and American aims were directly opposed.' Discuss.
18. Why were the attempts to produce a lasting settlement to the Arab-Israeli dispute unsuccessful between 1957 and 1975?
19. Why did Gorbachev's policies contribute to the collapse of the Soviet Union?
20. Account for the rise of political Islam.

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