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THE POLITICS AND ECONOMICS OF SOVIET AND POST-SOVIET UKRAINE

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Please start the answer to each question on a separate sheet.

Candidates should answer THREE questions.

Do not turn over until told that you may do so.

- 1. Discuss the impact of regional divisions on the political development of Ukraine.
- 2. Assess the success of land reform in Ukrainian transition.
- 3. Why have capital markets been particularly weak in transition Ukraine?
- 4. Why has Ukraine been called a 'gateway economy'?
- 5. What role has nationalism had in state-building in transition Ukraine?
- 6. Discuss welfare policies and assess their effectiveness in Ukraine since 1992.
- 7. What factors remain a barrier to Ukraine's accession to the European Union?
- 8. What impact did the political legacy of dependence from the Soviet era have on statebuilding in Ukraine?
- 9. Examine the political factors that led to the Orange Revolution.
- 10. Explain the factors accounting for pervasive corruption in Ukraine.

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