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EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS

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Answer TWO questions.

- 1. Analyse the relationship between Italian emigration and urban cultures in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.
- 2. 'Entro quei confini [the Lower East side] viveva o lottava per sopravvivere un mondo a parte, un microcosmo sociale e culturale in cui ogni gruppo lasciava i suoi depositi, come nella geologia' (M. MAFFI). Analyse the immigrant-urban relationship amongst Italians abroad at the turn of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries in the light of this quotation.
- 3. How have migration processes since 1945, both from within Italy and from abroad, contributed to the particular form and cultural shape of Italian cities?
- 4. Why did Italy never produce an industrial city like Manchester? Answer with reference to at least two Italian industrial cities.
- 5. Were Southern Italian cities part of the 'grande disgregazione sociale' described by Gramsci? Answer with reference to at least two Italian cities.
- 6. Assess the view that Italian urban planning has failed to exercise a positive influence on Italian urban forms.
- 7. 'Film-makers do not represent the city, they recreate it' (D. BASS). Analyse this comment with reference to AT LEAST TWO Italian films released since 1950.
- 8. Has politics made a difference to the management and form of Italian cities, and if so, how? Answer with reference to AT LEAST TWO Italian cities.
- 9. Why and in what ways are Italian cities seen as 'dangerous places'?
- 10. Discuss the changing relationship between city and countryside in the contemporary Italian landscape.

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