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Paper 4 Depth Study

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1 hour 30 minutes

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

DO NOT WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.

This paper contains **five** sections:

Depth Study 1: Europe of the Dictators, 1918–1941

Depth Study 2: The History of the USA, 1945–1990

Depth Study 3: International History, 1945–1991

Depth Study 4: African History, 1945–1991

Depth Study 5: Southeast Asian History, 1945–1990s

Answer **two** questions from **one** section.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

The marks are given in brackets [] at the end of each question.

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Depth Study 1: Europe of the Dictators, 1918–1941

Answer any **two** questions.

- 1 To what extent had Lenin created a communist state in Russia by 1924? [30]
- 2 Evaluate the reasons for Mussolini's popularity in Italy to 1941. [30]
- 3 'The main reason why Stalin remained in power was because of his use of terror.' Discuss this view. [30]
- 4 'The government of Nazi Germany was characterised by economic and administrative inefficiency.' Discuss this view. [30]

Depth Study 2: The History of the USA, 1945–1990

Answer any **two** questions.

- 5 Who did more to help improve the civil rights of African Americans in the 1950s: Chief Justice Warren or Rosa Parks? [30]
- 6 Assess the reasons for the resignation of President Nixon in 1974. [30]
- 7 How important was the rise of the religious right to US politics in the 1970s and 1980s? [30]
- 8 Assess the reasons why President Reagan changed from being a Cold War hawk in his first term to being a dove in his second. [30]

3**Depth Study 3: International History, 1945–1991**

Answer any **two** questions.

- 9** How justified was President Truman's claim that the Korean War ended successfully for the USA? [30]
- 10** 'More illusion than reality'. How far do you agree with this assessment of détente in the 1970s? [30]
- 11** How serious were the threats facing the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) during the 1980s? [30]
- 12** 'The aim of superpower involvement in the Middle East from 1956 to 1979 was to ensure political and economic stability in the region.' How far do you agree? [30]

Depth Study 4: African History, 1945–1991

Answer any **two** questions.

- 13** 'It was the support of the masses that secured independence in Africa.' How far do you agree with this view? [30]
- 14** How great was the impact of the Cold War on the development of African states after independence? [30]
- 15** After independence, how successfully did African governments deal with internal threats to the stability of their states? [30]
- 16** How far have independent African states benefited from membership of the United Nations? [30]

Depth Study 5: Southeast Asian History, 1945–1990s

Answer any **two** questions.

- 17** How far was the end of colonial rule in the Philippines a result of US military defeats in the Second World War? [30]
- 18** Who was the more successful ruler of Indonesia: Sukarno or Suharto? [30]
- 19** How great was the extent of change in Vietnam after 1991? [30]
- 20** Assess the importance of the Financial Crash of 1997 for Southeast Asia. [30]

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