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HISTORY **9489/32**

Paper 3 Interpretations Question **February/March 2021**

1 hour 15 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **one** question from **one** section only.
  - Section A: The origins of the First World War
  - Section B: The Holocaust
  - Section C: The origins and development of the Cold War
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 40.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].

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Answer **one** question from **one** section only.

Section A: Topic 1

The origins of the First World War

1 Read the extract and then answer the question.

The options available to Grey were limited.

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But, while Grey may have given Germany more attention than the other powers, this was not due to him inventing an aggressive Germany: that was created in Berlin.

What can you learn from this extract about the interpretation and approach of the historian who wrote it? Use the extract and your knowledge of the origins of the First World War to explain your answer. **[40]**

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Section B: Topic 2

The Holocaust

2 Read the extract and then answer the question.

In his speech to the Reichstag on 30 January 1939, Hitler had already pointed in the direction of the future Nazi policy of mass murder.

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Anyone planning a campaign of mass murder had to start by thinking on a smaller scale than the whole continent.

What can you learn from this extract about the interpretation and approach of the historian who wrote it? Use the extract and your knowledge of the Holocaust to explain your answer. **[40]**

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Section C: Topic 3

The origins and development of the Cold War

3 Read the extract and then answer the question.

Hitler's unprovoked aggression in June 1941 opened the door through which the Soviet Union eventually stepped out to become the world's mightiest imperial power.

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Yet once the proposition was accepted that Moscow possessed the military leverage to achieve particular political goals, its temptation to actually seek such goals became irresistible.

What can you learn from this extract about the interpretation and approach of the historian who wrote it? Use the extract and your knowledge of the Cold War to explain your answer. **[40]**

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