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1 hour 30 minutes

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

- Answer **two** questions, from your chosen Depth Study.
 - 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
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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

Answer any **two** questions.

- 1 'The New Economic Policy was a betrayal of the revolution.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 2 'He achieved little, beyond staying in power.' Discuss this view of Mussolini. [30]
- 3 Assess the importance of the cult of personality to Stalin's control of Russia. [30]
- 4 'It was a popular dictatorship.' How valid is this view of Hitler's rule over Germany? [30]

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

Answer any **two** questions.

- 5 'The years 1945–60 were a period of political stability.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 6 To what extent did the counter-culture of the 1960s have an influence on wider American society? [30]
- 7 Assess the impact of foreign competition on the development of the US economy in the 1980s. [30]
- 8 'Attempts to improve relations between the US and China after 1970 were motivated by Nixon's desire for re-election.' How far do you agree? [30]

Depth Study 3: International History, 1945–1991

Answer any **two** questions.

- 9** Examine the view that the globalisation of the Cold War up to 1975 was caused by the stalemate between the Soviet Union and the USA in Europe. [30]
- 10** 'Détente in the 1970s was largely a failure.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 11** To what extent was the Sino–Soviet split caused by disagreement over relations with the West? [30]
- 12** 'Iran's aim of overthrowing Saddam Hussein was the main reason why the Iran–Iraq War lasted so long.' Assess this view. [30]

Depth Study 4: African History, 1945–1991

Answer any **two** questions.

- 13** Assess the importance of propaganda to the rise to power of nationalist leaders in Africa. [30]
- 14** How influential were socialist ideas in determining the nature of African states after independence? [30]
- 15** How important were new forces in society to the social and economic power bases of newly independent states? [30]
- 16** 'Nkrumah was a dynamic leader of the Pan-Africanist movement.' Assess this view. [30]

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

Answer any **two** questions.

- 17** 'Wartime defeats only hastened the end of colonial rule in Southeast Asia.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 18** 'Economic factors were the driving force behind the creation of the Federation of Malaysia.' Assess this view. [30]
- 19** How far did Thailand benefit from military rule in the period from 1945 to the 1990s? [30]
- 20** How far did economic development in Southeast Asia bring about improvement in living standards? [30]

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