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HISTORY **9489/42**

Paper 4 Depth Study **February/March 2024**

1 hour 45 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions from **one** section only.
  - Section A: European option
  - Section B: American option
  - Section C: International option
- 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 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].

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

Section A: European history in the interwar years, 1919–41

1 'Mussolini's dealings with the Catholic Church were his most successful social policy.' Discuss this view. [30]

2 'The main reason why Stalin was able to seize power by 1928 was the weakness of his opponents.' Assess this view. [30]

3 'Hitler's personal popularity was the main reason for the increased support for the Nazi Party in the period 1929–33.' Discuss. [30]

4 'Poor relations between employers and Trade Unions were the main problem facing the UK economy in the years 1919–39.' Evaluate this view. [30]

Section B: The USA, 1944–92

5 Analyse the reasons why Americans supported McCarthyism. [30]

6 Assess the extent to which external challenges affected the US economy in the 1960s and 1970s. [30]

7 Assess the impact of the ideas of the Religious Right in the 1980s and 1990s. [30]

8 Analyse the reasons why the US aimed to establish global economic leadership in the period 1944–70. [30]

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Section C: International history, 1945–92

9 Assess the extent to which President Carter was responsible for the outbreak of the Second Cold War. [30]

10 Analyse the extent to which the Korean War was brought about by the actions of the United States. [30]

11 'Lack of national unity was the main obstacle to establishing effective governments in the newly independent African nations.' Assess this view. [30]

12 'Ben Gurion's decision to involve Israel in the Suez Crisis was a mistake.' Discuss this view. [30]

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