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HISTORY **9489/43**

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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 Assess the extent to which Mussolini's policies improved the Italian economy. [30]

2 'Stalin's concern for the security of the Soviet Union was the main cause of the Great Terror.' Assess this view. [30]

3 'The Nazi regime was popular mainly due to its economic success.' Evaluate this view. [30]

4 Discuss the view that women's roles and status changed significantly in Britain in the period 1919–39. [30]

Section B: The history of the USA, 1944–92

5 Analyse the reasons why fear of communism was so widespread in the US in the late 1940s and 1950s. [30]

6 'Rising prices were the biggest challenge to the US economy in the 1960s and 1970s.' Discuss this view. [30]

7 'Much less radical than it appeared.' Evaluate this view of Reagan's economic policy. [30]

8 Assess the motives for US attempts at nuclear arms limitation in the period 1963–79. [30]

Section C: International history, 1945–92

9 'US fear of communism was the main cause of the Cuban Crisis.' Discuss this view. [30]

10 'The USA benefited more than the People's Republic of China from improved Sino–US relations in the 1970s and 1980s.' Evaluate this view. [30]

11 Analyse the challenges facing agricultural development in the newly independent African nations. [30]

12 Assess the extent to which the aims of the revolutionaries in Iran were achieved by 1981. [30]

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