



ADVANCED GCE HISTORY

Themes in History 1763–1996

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Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet

OCR Supplied Materials:

- 12 page Answer Booklet
- Insert (inserted)

Other Materials Required:

None

**Thursday 11 June 2009
Morning**

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



MODIFIED LANGUAGE

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name clearly in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Use black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- Every question is marked out of **60**.
- This paper contains questions on the following two Options:
 - Europe 1792–1919 (page 2)
 - Europe 1855–1956 (page 3)
- Each Option has one or more Themes. Each Theme has three questions.
- Answer any **two** questions.
- You should write in continuous prose and are reminded of the need for clear and accurate writing, including structure of argument, grammar, punctuation and spelling.
- Candidates are expected to demonstrate understanding of the issues in **each** of their selected questions over a period of **at least one hundred years** (unless an individual question specifies a slightly shorter period).
- Candidates are reminded of the synoptic nature of this Unit. Answers are required to demonstrate understanding of the processes of historical continuity, development and change across the **full breadth** of the period studied.
- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Europe 1792–1919

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Key Theme: The Changing Nature of Warfare 1792–1918

- 16** To what extent was there continuity in the strategy and tactics used in war in the period from 1792 to 1918?
- 17** Assess the importance of changes in communications and transport in the development of warfare in the period from 1792 to 1918.
- 18** To what extent did superior manpower determine the outcome of wars in the period from 1792 to 1918?

Key Theme: The Challenge of German Nationalism 1815–1919

- 19** Assess the reasons why Prussia was more successful in dominating the German states from 1866 to 1919 than from 1815 to 1865.
- 20** Assess the impact of economic factors on the development of German nationalism in the period from 1815 to 1919.
- 21** How far do you agree that the aims of German nationalists remained the same throughout the period from 1815 to 1919?

Europe 1855–1956

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Key Theme: Russian Dictatorship 1855–1956

- 22** Assess the view that Russia's rulers were opposed to change during the period from 1855 to 1956.
- 23** How far do you agree that the communist takeover in 1917 was the **most** important turning-point in the development of Russian government in the period from 1855 to 1956?
- 24** To what extent were the living and working conditions of the Russian peasants consistently miserable in the period from 1855 to 1956?

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