Edexcel GCE

History
Advanced Subsidiary
Unit 1
Option D: A World Divided: Communism and Democracy in the Twentieth Century

Tuesday 15 May 2012 – Morning
Time: 1 hour 20 minutes

You do not need any other materials.

Instructions
• Use black ink or ball-point pen.
• Fill in the boxes at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
• Answer TWO questions: ONE question on each of the TWO topics for which you have been prepared. You may only answer ONE question on each topic.
• Answer the questions in the spaces provided – there may be more space than you need.

Information
• The total mark for this paper is 60.
• The marks for each question are shown in brackets – use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.
• The quality of your written communication will be assessed in all your responses – you should take particular care with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression.

Advice
• Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
• Keep an eye on the time.
• Check your answers if you have time at the end.

Turn over
6HI01/D – A World Divided: Communism and Democracy in the Twentieth Century

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You must start the answer to your first question on page 4.
You must start the answer to your second question on page 12.

D1 – Crises, Tensions and Political Divisions in China, 1900–49

EITHER

1 How accurate is it to say that effective leadership was the most important reason for the success of the GMD government of Chiang Kai-shek in the years 1927–34?

(Total for Question 1 = 30 marks)

OR

2 How far was Mao Zedong responsible for the victory of the CCP in the civil war of 1946–49?

(Total for Question 2 = 30 marks)

D2 – Mao's China, 1949–76

EITHER

3 To what extent were agriculture and village life transformed in the years 1949–62?

(Total for Question 3 = 30 marks)

OR

4 How accurate is it to say that the main effect of the Cultural Revolution was the destruction of traditional Chinese culture?

(Total for Question 4 = 30 marks)

D3 – Russia in Revolution, 1881–1924: From Autocracy to Dictatorship

EITHER

5 How far was Nicholas II responsible for the fall of the Romanovs in 1917?

(Total for Question 5 = 30 marks)

OR

6 How far do you agree that Trotsky's leadership of the Red Army was responsible for the survival of the Bolshevik government?

(Total for Question 6 = 30 marks)
D4 – Stalin’s Russia, 1924–53

EITHER

7 Why were Stalin’s opponents unable to prevent him from becoming the leader of the USSR by 1929?  
(Total for Question 7 = 30 marks)

OR

8 To what extent did collectivisation improve Soviet agriculture in the years 1928–41?  
(Total for Question 8 = 30 marks)

D5 – Pursuing Life and Liberty: Equality in the USA, 1945–68

EITHER

9 How far do you agree that the years 1945–55 saw only limited progress in improving the status of African Americans?  
(Total for Question 9 = 30 marks)

OR

10 How accurate is it to say that the growth of Black Power was the most important factor in the weakening of the civil rights movement in the 1960s?  
(Total for Question 10 = 30 marks)

D6 – Ideology, Conflict and Retreat: the USA in Asia, 1950–73

EITHER

11 Why did the Korean War last so long?  
(Total for Question 11 = 30 marks)

OR

12 To what extent was growing opposition in the USA responsible for Johnson’s failure to defeat the communist forces in Vietnam in the years 1963–68?  
(Total for Question 12 = 30 marks)

D7 – Politics, Presidency and Society in the USA, 1968–2001

EITHER

13 How accurate is it to say that the power exercised by US presidents changed significantly in the years 1969–89?  
(Total for Question 13 = 30 marks)

OR

14 To what extent did the USA become a more racially tolerant society in the years 1968–2001?  
(Total for Question 14 = 30 marks)
Put a cross in the box indicating the FIRST question you have chosen to answer □. If you change your mind, put a line through the box □ and then put a cross in another box □.

Chosen Question Number:

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Question 7  □  Question 8  □  Question 9  □
Question 10 □  Question 11 □  Question 12 □
Question 13 □  Question 14 □

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Put a cross in the box indicating the SECOND question you have chosen to answer.
Your second question choice must be on a different topic to your first question choice.
If you change your mind, put a line through the box and then put a cross in another box.

Chosen Question Number:

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Question 13  ❌  Question 14  ❌

(This page is for your second answer.)