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A Level History A

Y218/01 International Relations 1890–1941

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Time allowed: 1 hour



You must have:

- OCR 12 page Answer Booklet
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INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Choose either Question 1 or Question 2 and answer all parts of the question.
- Write your answer to each question on the Answer Booklet.
- Do **not** write in the barcodes.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **30**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended responses will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- This document consists of **2** pages.

Answer **EITHER** all of Question 1 **OR** all of Question 2.

- 1 (a) Which of the following made the outbreak of World War II more likely in the period 1929 to 1939?

- (i) The appeasement policies of Britain and France.
- (ii) Relations between Russia and the rest of Europe.

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii).

[10]

- (b)* 'The Alliance System between the Great Powers was the most important cause of the First World War.' How far do you agree?

[20]

OR

- 2 (a) Which of the following caused more problems in the Far East during the period 1930 to 1941?

- (i) Japanese nationalism.
- (ii) The policies of Britain and the USA towards Japan.

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii).

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- (b)* Assess the reasons for the failure of the British and French policy of appeasement during the 1930s.

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END OF QUESTION PAPER

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