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HISTORY

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Paper 4 Depth Study

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1 hour 30 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions, from your chosen Depth Study.
 - Depth Study 1: Europe of the Dictators, 1918–1941
 - Depth Study 2: The History of the USA, 1945–1990
 - Depth Study 3: International History, 1945–1991
- 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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Depth Study 1: Europe of the Dictators, 1918–1941

Answer any **two** questions.

- 1 'Its use of brutal repression was the main reason why the Bolshevik regime was still in power by 1924.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 2 Assess the reasons why the democratic parties were unpopular in Italy by 1922. [30]
- 3 To what extent did collectivisation improve Russian agriculture? [30]
- 4 How far was the failure of Weimar's political leadership to solve Germany's problems responsible for the appointment of Hitler as Chancellor? [30]

Depth Study 2: The History of the USA, 1945–1990

Answer any **two** questions.

- 5 'Private companies were responsible for the economic prosperity of the United States in the 1950s.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 6 To what extent did Ford and Carter face similar domestic problems during their presidencies? [30]
- 7 'The activities of the religious right made a fundamental difference to the politics of the 1980s.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 8 Assess the importance of the Middle East to US foreign policy during the 1950s. [30]

Depth Study 3: International History, 1945–1991

Answer any **two** questions.

- 9** 'In the period 1950 to 1963 the Soviet Union was more successful in spreading communism than the USA was in containing it.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 10** 'The Cold War ended as a result of the Second Cold War.' How far you agree? [30]
- 11** Assess the extent to which Mao Zedong was responsible for the Sino-Soviet split. [30]
- 12** How far was Saddam Hussein responsible for the Iran–Iraq War (1980–88)? [30]

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