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**HISTORY**

**9389/42**

Paper 4 Depth Study

**May/June 2015**

**1 hour 30 minutes**

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

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**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

**DO NOT WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.**

This paper contains **three** sections:

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

Answer **two** questions from **one** section.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

The marks are given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question.



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**Depth Study 1: Europe of the Dictators, 1918–1941**

Answer any **two** questions.

- 1 To what extent had Lenin created a totalitarian state in Russia by 1924? [30]
- 2 Evaluate the reasons for the failure of democracy in Italy by 1922. [30]
- 3 To what extent does Stalin's use of his position as General Secretary of the Communist Party explain his rise to power by 1928? [30]
- 4 To what extent does popular support for Nazism explain Hitler's rise to power? [30]

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

Answer any **two** questions.

- 5 How accurate is it to describe US society in the 1950s as 'calm and stable'? [30]
- 6 How great was the impact of the oil crises of the 1970s on the USA? [30]
- 7 How far did the Reagan Presidency help to improve the position of ethnic minorities during the 1980s? [30]
- 8 'The Helsinki Accords were a defeat for the USA in the Cold War in Europe.' How far do you agree? [30]

**Depth Study 3: International History, 1945–1991**

Answer any **two** questions.

- 9** 'Confused and inconsistent'. How accurate is this assessment of Khrushchev's foreign policy? [30]
- 10** To what extent was the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan responsible for the onset of the 'Second Cold War'? [30]
- 11** How successful was Deng Xiaoping in addressing the problems which faced China? [30]
- 12** How far was Nasser responsible for the outbreak of the Suez War of 1956? [30]

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