

A-level HISTORY

Component 2Q The American Dream: reality and illusion, 1945–1980

Wednesday 5 June 2019 Afternoon Time allowed: 2 hours 30 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 16-page answer book.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is 7042/2Q.
- Answer **three** questions.
In **Section A** answer Question 01.
In **Section B** answer **two** questions.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Advice

- You are advised to spend about:
 - 60 minutes on Question 01
 - 45 minutes on each of the two questions in Section B.

Section A

Answer Question 01.

Source A

From 'The Feminine Mystique' by Betty Friedan, published in 1963. This book sold over a million copies in the following year, mainly to well-educated women.

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Source B

From the manifesto of S C U M (the Society for Cutting Up Men), by Valerie Solanas, published in 1967. Solanas was a radical feminist willing to attack men physically.

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Source C

From the article, 'What's wrong with Equal Rights for Women' by Phyllis Schlafly, February 1972. Schlafly was a lawyer and political activist opposing abortion and the Equal Rights Amendment.

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- 0 1** With reference to these sources and your understanding of the historical context assess the value of these three sources to an historian studying the women's movement in the USA in the years 1962 to 1974.

[30 marks]

Turn over for Section B

Section B

Answer **two** questions.

0 2 'Eisenhower's presidency united the United States.'

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]

0 3 To what extent was Johnson more significant than Kennedy in advancing civil rights for African-Americans?

[25 marks]

0 4 'The USA's position as a world power was in continuous decline in the years 1972 to 1980.'

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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