



**HISTORY
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PAPER 1**

Tuesday 5 May 2009 (afternoon)

1 hour

QUESTION BOOKLET – INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Refer to the Source Booklet which accompanies this examination paper.
- Answer all the questions in one section only. Either:
 - Section A
 - or
 - Section B
 - or
 - Section C.

Refer to the accompanying Source Booklet and answer all the questions in either Section A or Section B or Section C.

SECTION A

Prescribed Subject 1 The USSR under Stalin, 1924 to 1941

These questions relate to relations between the USSR and Nazi Germany. The accompanying sources are on pages 2 to 4 in the Source Booklet.

1. (a) Why, according to Source A, did some politicians say the Soviet Union had become a supporter of the Treaty of Versailles? *[2 marks]*
(b) What, according to Source A, were Stalin's views on fascism? *[3 marks]*

2. Compare and contrast the views expressed in Sources B and C about Stalin's foreign policy during the 1930s. *[6 marks]*

3. With reference to their origin and purpose, assess the value and limitations of Source D and Source E for historians studying relations between the USSR and Nazi Germany. *[6 marks]*

4. Using these sources and your own knowledge, analyse the reasons why Stalin signed the 1939 Nazi/Soviet Pact. *[8 marks]*

SECTION B

**Prescribed Subject 2 The emergence and development of the People’s Republic of China (PRC),
1946 to 1964**

These questions relate to The Great Leap Forward. The accompanying sources are on pages 5 to 7 in the Source Booklet.

5. (a) What evidence is there in Source C of the limitations of the Great Leap Forward 1958–59? *[3 marks]*
- (b) Why, according to Source A, was there a fall in the grain output after 1957? *[2 marks]*
6. Compare and contrast the views expressed in Sources D and E about the Great Leap Forward 1958–1961. *[6 marks]*
7. With reference to their origin and purpose, assess the value and limitations of Source A and Source B for historians studying the Great Leap Forward in China 1958–1961. *[6 marks]*
8. Using these sources and your own knowledge, to what extent do you agree with the statement in Source D that the Great Leap Forward “proved an unmitigated [total] disaster for the Chinese economy and people”? *[8 marks]*

SECTION C

Prescribed Subject 3 The Cold War, 1960 to 1979

These questions relate to the end of détente. The accompanying sources are on pages 8 to 10 in the Source Booklet.

9. (a) Why, according to Source A, had the “glow of détente” faded by June 1974? *[3 marks]*
- (b) What message is portrayed in Source D? *[2 marks]*
10. Compare and contrast the views expressed in Sources B and E about the tensions between the superpowers during the 1970s. *[6 marks]*
11. With reference to their origin and purpose, assess the value and limitations of Source B and Source C for historians studying the end of détente. *[6 marks]*
12. Using these sources and your own knowledge, explain to what extent you agree with the statement “Increased instability outside Europe intensified Soviet-American tensions and weakened political support for détente”. *[8 marks]*
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