

Oxford Cambridge and RSA Examinations
General Certificate of Secondary Education

HISTORY B (MODERN WORLD)

1937/13

PAPER 1 (CORE CONTENT WITH THE USA, 1919-1941)

Specimen Paper 2003

Additional materials:
Answer booklet.

TIME 2 hours.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- This paper consists of three sections.
 - In **Section A**, answer **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2.
 - In **Section B**, answer any **one** question.
 - In **Section C**, answer **Question 7** and **one** other question.
- Write your answers, in blue or black ink, in the answer booklet provided.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what to do before starting your answer.
- Write the numbers of the questions answered in the box provided on the answer booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **75**.
- *You will be awarded marks for the quality of written communication in part (c) of the following questions: Section B questions 3, 4, 5 and 6; Section C questions 8 and 9.*

Some of the questions require you to use Sources. Where this is the case, you will need to use your knowledge of the topic to interpret and evaluate the Sources. When you are asked to use specific Sources you must do so, but you can also use any of the other Sources within the question if they are relevant.

Section A

You should spend about 15 minutes on this section.

Answer EITHER Question 1 OR Question 2.

- 1 Study the Source carefully, and then answer the questions which follow.

SOURCE A



Hitler: 'There's some mistake. It was your small brother I sent for.'

A cartoon from a British newspaper, 6 September 1939, three days after Britain and France declared war on Germany. It shows Hitler speaking to Mars, the great god of war.

- (a) Study **Source A**.

Explain the message of this cartoon. Support your answer by referring to details of the cartoon and your knowledge.

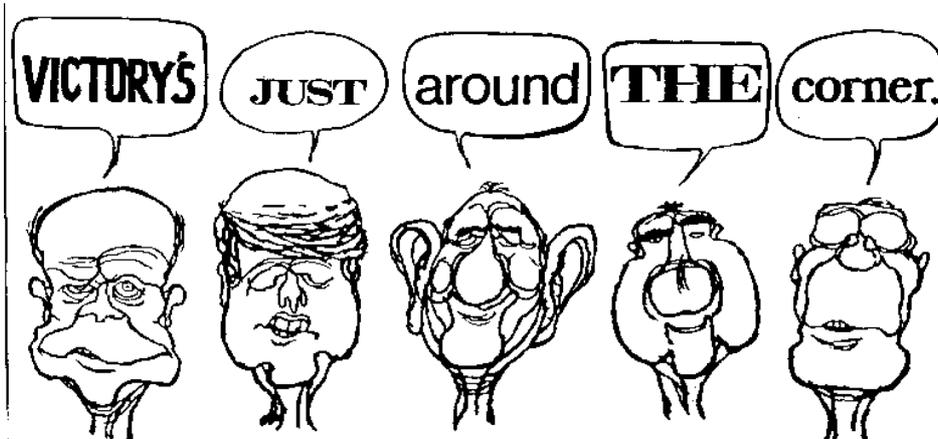
[6]

- (b) Explain why Germany invaded Poland in 1939.

[9]

- 2 Study the Source carefully, and then answer the questions which follow.

SOURCE B



A cartoon, published in 1975, showing the five US presidents involved in the Vietnam War.

- (a) Study **Source B**.

Explain the message of this cartoon. Support your answer by referring to details of the cartoon and your knowledge.

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- (b) Explain why the USA became involved in Vietnam.

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Section B

You should spend about 35 minutes on this section.

Answer ONE question from this section.

- 3 (a) In what ways did the Treaty of Versailles try to ensure future international peace? [4]
- (b) Explain what Wilson hoped to achieve at the Paris Peace Conference. [6]
- (c) How far was Clemenceau satisfied with the Treaty of Versailles?
Explain your answer. [10]
- 4 (a) What were the main aims of the League of Nations? [4]
- (b) Explain why some major nations were not members of the League when it was first set up. [6]
- (c) 'The **most** important reason why the League was weak in the 1920s was its lack of an army.'
Do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer. [10]
- 5 (a) What was agreed at the Potsdam Conference, 1945? [4]
- (b) Explain why the USA introduced the Marshall Plan. [6]
- (c) 'The **most** important cause of the Cold War was the suspicion and rivalry between Truman and Stalin.'
Do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer. [10]
- 6 (a) What happened during the 'Prague Spring' of 1968? [4]
- (b) Explain why the USSR got involved in Czechoslovakia in 1968. [6]
- (c) 'The **most** important reason for the collapse of Soviet control in Eastern Europe in 1989 were the effects of 'Solidarity' in Poland.'
Do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer. [10]

Section C: Depth Study
The USA, 1919-1941

You should spend about 70 minutes on this section.

Answer Question 7 and ONE other question.

- 7 Study the Sources carefully, and then answer the questions which follow.

SOURCE A



A photograph of a shanty town on wasteland in Seattle, Washington taken in 1931.

SOURCE B

Millions of our citizens cherish the hope that their old standards of living have not gone forever. Those millions shall not hope in vain. I pledge you, I pledge myself, to a New Deal for the American people. This is more than a political campaign; it is a call to arms. Give me your help, not to win votes alone, but to win this crusade to restore America... I am waging a war against Destruction, Delay, Deceit and Despair....

A pre-election speech given by Roosevelt, 1932.

SOURCE C

Smile away the Depression!



Smile us into Prosperity!
wear a
SMILETTE!

*This wonderful little gadget will
solve the problems of the Nation!*

**APPLY NOW AT YOUR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
OR THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE**

WARNING—Do not risk Federal arrest by looking glum!

An election poster of 1932.

7 (a) Study **Source A**.

Do you think this photograph would help Hoover's election campaign of 1932?

Use the Source and your knowledge to explain your answer.

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(b) Study **Source B**.

Do you think this was an effective campaign speech?

Use the Source and your knowledge to explain your answer.

[7]

(c) Study **Source C**.

Do you think this poster was published by the Democrats or the Republicans?

Use the Source and your knowledge to explain your answer.

[6]

Choose ONE of the following two questions. You must answer ALL parts of the question which you choose.

- 8** **(a)** What were the main features of the 'Roaring 20s'? **[4]**
- (b)** Explain why prohibition was introduced. **[6]**
- (c)** 'The most serious problem faced by American society during the 1920s was the poor treatment of black people.' Do you agree with this statement?
 Explain your answer. **[10]**
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- 9** **(a)** What were the main features of the New Deal? **[4]**
- (b)** Explain why there was opposition to the New Deal. **[6]**
- (c)** Was the New Deal a success or a failure?
 Explain your answer. **[10]**

