

THE BRITISH SCHOOL,
ALEXANDRIA

YEAR 10 - **PAPER 2**
HISTORY EXAMINATION JUNE 2018

TIME: 1 HOUR and 30 MINUTES

Name _____

Instructions

- Answer **all** questions.
- Use **black or dark blue** ink or ballpoint pen for written answers.

The number of marks is given in brackets () at the end of each question.

Total mark for the paper is 60 marks.

- Write your answers neatly and in good English.

Answer Questions 1 and 2.

In each question, you have to answer part **a)** and **b)** and then choose 1 essay from two in part c).

Question 1.

Study Extract A.

Extract A.

From a modern world history published in 2001.

Nagy made an appeal to the United Nations for help, and radio messages begged for assistance from the West. The western powers, however, did not send support. In 1956 Britain, France and the USA were squabbling over who should control the Suez Canal. The Americans were not prepared to send troops into Hungary. Preventing the spread of communism was one thing, sending troops to fight in a country that was already communist was too much to ask.

a) What impression does the author give about the attitude of the Western powers towards the Hungarian Uprising?

You **must** use Extract A to explain your answer. (6)

(b) Explain **two effects** of the U-2 incident in May 1960 on superpower relations.

(8)

EITHER

c) i) 'The main reason for the worsening relations between the Soviet Union and the USA in the years 1945-49 was the Marshall Plan.'

How far do you agree? Explain your answer. (16)

You may use the following in your answer:

- the Marshall Plan
- the Berlin Crisis (blockade of 1948-49)

You **must** also use information of your own.

OR

c) ii) 'The building of the Berlin Wall was the most serious crisis between the USA and the Soviet Union in the years 1960-68.'

How far do you agree? Explain your answer. (16)

You may use the following in your answer:

- the building of the Berlin Wall, 1961
- the Cuban Missile Crisis, 1962

You **must** also use information of your own.

Total for Question 1 = 30 marks.

Question 2.

Study Extract B.

Extract B.

From a history of superpower relations published in 2009.

The Marshall Plan promised large sums of American financial aid to Europe. Churchill said it was the most unselfish act in history, but the motives of the Americans were more than just humanitarian. Without financial assistance, Europe would not be able to act as a market for American goods. In addition, there were political considerations. The Americans saw poverty as the perfect breeding ground for the hated communism.

a) What impression does the author give about the Marshall Plan?

You **must** use Extract B to explain your answer. (6)

(b) Explain **two effects** of the Korean War on superpower relations. (8)

EITHER

c) i) 'The main reason for the Cold War in Europe was the West's fear of communism.'

How far do you agree? Explain your answer. (16)

You may use the following in your answer:

- fear of communism
- the Second World War

You **must** also use information of your own.

OR

c) ii) 'The main reason for the Soviet invasion of Hungary was because Khrushchev did not trust the Hungarian leaders'

How far do you agree? Explain your answer. (16)

You may use the following in your answer:

- the Hungarian leaders
- the Warsaw Pact

You **must** also use information of your own.

Total for Question 2 = 30 marks.

Overall total for paper = 60 marks.

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