

THE BRITISH SCHOOL,  
ALEXANDRIA

YEAR 9  
HISTORY END OF YEAR EXAMINATION  
JUNE 2019

TIME: 60 minutes

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Instructions

- Answer **all** questions.
- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen for written answers.

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

Total mark for the paper is 45 marks.

- Write your answers neatly and in good English.

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1. Define the term 'Cold War'.

*(1 mark)*

2. State THREE countries that fought in the Second World War.

*(3 marks)*

3. Explain TWO reasons why the the Battle of Alamein was important during the Second World War.

*(8 marks)*

4. Name THREE ways that the British Government prepared its citizens for war.

*(3 marks)*

5. 'The most important reason why Truman used atomic bombs against Japan in 1945 was to show the strength of the USA to potential future rivals.' How far do you agree with this statement?

You should discuss:

- Showing strength to potential rivals
- To save lives of American soldiers

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

*(16 marks)*

6. Explain TWO ways in which Jewish people in Germany were persecuted by the Nazis.

(8 marks)

7. Look at Source A below. What impression does it give us about the potential damage of an atomic bomb?

(6 marks)

Source A: A note from the expert American atomic scientists that developed the atomic bombs, to their government in June 1945.

*From this point of view, a demonstration of the new weapons might best be made, in the eyes of representatives from different countries. We should demonstrate the bomb in the desert or on a barren island. Following this, Japan can then be given an ultimatum to surrender and they would be certain to accept.*

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