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HISTORY

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Paper 4 Depth Study

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1 hour 30 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions, from your chosen Depth Study.
 - Depth Study 1: Europe of the Dictators, 1918–1941
 - Depth Study 2: The History of the USA, 1945–1990
 - Depth Study 3: International History, 1945–1991
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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Depth Study 1: Europe of the Dictators, 1918–1941

Answer any **two** questions.

- 1 'Bolshevik management of the Russian economy between 1918 and 1924 was successful.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 2 'Their failure to solve Italy's economic problems was the main reason for the unpopularity of democratic politicians in Italy by 1922.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 3 'Stalin's Five-Year Plans failed.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 4 Assess the importance of Nazi racist ideas to their electoral success by 1933. [30]

Depth Study 2: The History of the USA, 1945–1990

Answer any **two** questions.

- 5 To what extent was McCarthyism a cause rather than a result of political instability? [30]
- 6 How far was the Civil Rights Movement successful in improving the lives of black Americans during the 1960s and 1970s? [30]
- 7 Assess the impact of Ronald Reagan's presidency on US living standards during the 1980s. [30]
- 8 To what extent was the US policy of détente successful? [30]

Depth Study 3: International History, 1945–1991

Answer any **two** questions.

- 9** Assess the reasons for the spread of the Cold War to Latin America after 1950. [30]
- 10** 'The end of the Cold War was brought about by the actions of Mikhail Gorbachev.' How far do you agree? [30]
- 11** How far was the failure of the Great Leap Forward the result of poor planning? [30]
- 12** Assess the reasons for the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War. [30]

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