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HISTORY (SPECIFICATION B)
Modern World
Unit 2: Twentieth Century Depth Studies

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For this paper you must have:

- a 12-page answer book.

Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes.

Instructions

- Use black ink or ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The *Examining Body* for this paper is AQA. The *Paper Reference* is Unit 2.
- Choose **three** topics – **one** from Section A and **two** from Section B.
- Answer **all** of the questions from each of your chosen topics.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The topics are on the following pages:

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- The maximum mark for this paper is 60.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers. All questions should be answered in continuous prose. Quality of Written Communication will be assessed in all answers.

Advice

- You are advised to spend about 35 minutes on each depth study.

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SECTION A

Choose **one** topic from this section.

Topic 1: From Tsardom to Communism: Russia, 1914–1924

Study **Sources A** and **B** and then answer questions **0 1**, **0 2** and **0 3** which follow. In your answers you should refer to the sources by their letters.

Source A The Bolshevik Revolution of October/November 1917

Although later Communist propaganda said differently, the Bolshevik revolution was small-scale. Although Lenin was in charge, Trotsky did most of the planning. There was little fighting, much less than there had been in March. Success was achieved by a small group of dedicated revolutionaries.

Source B Foreign support for the Whites during the Russian Civil War, 1918–1921. This Bolshevik poster shows France, the USA and Britain as evil capitalists who are trying to control Russia. The dogs represent White Army generals.



- 0 1** What does **Source A** suggest about the reasons for Bolshevik success in seizing power in October/November 1917? (4 marks)
- 0 2** In August 1914 Russia became involved in the First World War. Explain why Nicholas II became increasingly unpopular as Tsar during this war. (6 marks)
- 0 3** How useful is **Source B** for studying support for the Whites in the Civil War, 1918–1921? Use **Source B and your knowledge** to explain your answer. (10 marks)

Topic 2: Weimar Germany, 1919–1929

Study **Sources C** and **D** and then answer questions **04**, **05** and **06** which follow. In your answers you should refer to the sources by their letters.

Source C Hyperinflation in Germany in 1923

With hyperinflation, the German currency rapidly became worthless. Many Germans were ruined, but some managed to exploit the situation and make vast profit. Many ordinary Germans believed that their new democracy had brought them nothing but trouble.

Source D The French in the Ruhr, January 1923

This is the cover of a French magazine, showing French soldiers (right) outside a German factory in the Ruhr.

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- 04** What does **Source C** suggest about the consequences of hyperinflation in Germany in 1923? (4 marks)
- 05** Explain what Stresemann did to help the German economy recover in the years 1924–1929. (6 marks)
- 06** How useful is **Source D** for studying the French occupation of the Ruhr in 1923? Use **Source D and your knowledge** to explain your answer. (10 marks)

Topic 3: The Roaring 20s: USA, 1918–1929

Study **Sources E** and **F** and then answer questions **07**, **08** and **09** which follow. In your answers you should refer to the sources by their letters.

Source E Immigration and the quota system of 1921

The quota system was set up in 1921. It was a victory for the 'WASPs'. They had little respect for the southern and eastern Europeans who were most of the immigrants between 1900 and 1920.

Source F The importance in people's lives of the American stock market

This cartoon comes from the New York Magazine in 1927. It shows a man in hospital about to have an operation but still worrying about his investments.

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07 What does **Source E** suggest about American attitudes towards immigrants? (4 marks)

08 Explain the consequences of Prohibition for the USA in the 1920s. (6 marks)

09 How useful is **Source F** to an historian studying attitudes towards the stock market in the USA in the 1920s?
Use **Source F and your knowledge** to explain your answer. (10 marks)

Section B

Choose **two** topics from this section.

Topic 4: Stalin's dictatorship, 1924–1941

Study **Source G** and then answer questions

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 which follow.

Source G The Collectivisation of Agriculture

This photograph shows factory workers in 1930 in Leningrad handing over a new tractor to a collective farm.

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 Using **Source G and your knowledge** describe the process of collectivisation of agriculture in the USSR in the late 1920s and early 1930s. (8 marks)

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 'Stalin became sole ruler of the USSR by 1928 because he had been able to use his position as General Secretary at the time of Lenin's death.'
Do you agree? Explain your answer. (12 marks)

Topic 5: Hitler's Germany, 1929–1939

Study **Source H** and then answer questions **1 2** and **1 3** which follow.

Source H Hitler meeting members of the League of German Maidens, 1931



1 2 Using **Source H** and **your knowledge**, describe how Hitler gained much support from the Hitler Youth Movement and the League of German Maidens. (8 marks)

1 3 'The Nazis' use of threats and violence was the main reason why Hitler became Chancellor of Germany in 1933.'
Do you agree? Explain your answer. (12 marks)

Topic 6: Depression and the New Deal: The USA, 1929–1941

Study **Source J** and then answer questions **1 4** and **1 5** which follow.

Source J The Consequences of the Great Depression in the USA

The photograph shows unemployed people in New York queuing for food on Christmas Day, 1931.



1 4 Using **Source J** and **your knowledge**, describe the main effects of the Wall Street Crash on the people of the USA.

(8 marks)

1 5 'The New Deal led to the economic recovery of the USA in the 1930s.'
Do you agree? Explain your answer.

(12 marks)

Topic 7: Race Relations in the USA, 1955–1968

Study **Source K** and then answer questions **1 6** and **1 7** which follow.

Source K Events at Little Rock High School, 1957



1 6 Using **Source K** and **your knowledge**, describe how racism was challenged in the 1950s. (8 marks)

1 7 'Without Martin Luther King the fight for Civil Rights in the USA would not have made progress in the 1950s and 1960s.'
Do you agree? Explain your answer. (12 marks)

Topic 8: The USA and Vietnam, 1964–1975

Study **Source L** and then answer questions **1 8** and **1 9** which follow.

Source L A B52B bomber during Operation Rolling Thunder



1 8 Using **Source L** and **your knowledge**, describe the US response to guerrilla tactics.

(8 marks)

1 9 'The Tet Offensive in 1968 was the main reason why the USA lost the Vietnam War.'
Do you agree? Explain your answer.

(12 marks)

Topic 9: Britain: the challenge in Northern Ireland, 1960–1985

Study **Source M** and then answer questions **2 0** and **2 1** which follow.

Source M A Civil Rights march in Northern Ireland, 1972



2 0 Use **Source M** and **your knowledge** to describe the events of Bloody Sunday, 1972. (8 marks)

2 1 'Poverty and economic inequality were the main reasons for the Troubles in Northern Ireland in the 1960s and 1970s.'
Do you agree? Explain your answer. (12 marks)

Topic 10: The Middle East, 1956–1979

Study **Source N** and then answer questions **2 2** and **2 3** which follow.

Source N The Munich Olympics, 1972

A Black September terrorist on balcony of Israeli team flats in the Olympic Village.



2 2 Use **Source N and your knowledge** to describe the events at the Munich Olympics, 1972. (8 marks)

2 3 'The signing of the treaty between Egypt and Israel in March 1979 brought peace to the Middle East at the end of the 1970s.'
Do you agree? Explain your answer. (12 marks)

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