Introduction

In studying this component of British history in the twentieth century, it will be necessary to cover other relevant aspects of the subject content in order to provide a broader historical context for students before they engage upon their research.

The key questions that should be considered are:
- To what extent did women achieve a greater equality of status throughout the 20th Century?
- To what extent did the two world wars change the status of women in Britain?

The subject content that should be considered is;

- Position and status of women before the First World War; suffragists and suffragettes
- The roles of women in the two World Wars; the impact of the First World War and of the Second World War on the status of women
- Post war legislation to promote equality for women and the status of women in 2000

Completion of this controlled assessment task must reflect the specified levels of control in current Ofqual regulations for controlled assessment.

The following questions are intended to be answered by reference to the sources in the Sources Booklet provided for this component.
Controlled Assessment Specimen Tasks, The Changing Role and Status of Women in Britain from 1900

1 Study Sources A to D. Explain how useful these sources have been in informing you in your enquiry into the effects of the legislation of the 1970s introduced to improve the status of women.

Explain your answer using the sources and your knowledge. [16 marks]

2 Study Sources E to K.

‘The First World War contributed more to improving the position and status of women in British society than the Second World War.’

How far do Sources E to K support this interpretation of the impact the two world wars had on the position and status of women in Britain?

Explain your answer using the sources as well as your knowledge. [24 marks]

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