Instructions

- Use black ink or ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer six questions (1(a), (b), (c), (d), 2(a) OR 2(b), 3(a) OR 3(b)).
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
  - there may be more space than you need.

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 54.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets
  - use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.
- Questions labelled with an asterisk (*) are ones where the quality of your written communication will be assessed
  - you should take particular care on these questions with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression.
- The marks available for spelling, punctuation and grammar are clearly indicated.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.
Russia, 1914–39

Answer Questions 1(a) to (d), then Question 2(a) OR 2(b) and then Question 3(a) OR 3(b).

Question 1 – you must answer all parts of this question.

Study Source A.


Stalin became leader of the Communist Party by gradually removing all those who opposed him. After Lenin’s death, Stalin sided with those members of the Politburo who supported the New Economic Policy. The support Stalin gained by doing this made it possible for him to remove Zinoviev, Kamenev and Trotsky from the Politburo. In 1927 Stalin had Trotsky and Zinoviev expelled from the Communist Party. Stalin then had Trotsky murdered in Mexico in 1940.

(a) What can you learn from Source A about Stalin?

(4)
(b) Describe the key features of life for women in the Soviet Union in the years 1928–39.

(6)
(c) Explain the effects of the cult of Stalin on the Soviet Union.
(d) Explain why Stalin introduced the purges in the Soviet Union in the 1930s.

(8)
Answer EITHER Question 2(a) OR 2(b).

EITHER

2 (a) Explain how agriculture changed in the Soviet Union in the years 1928–39. (8)

OR

2 (b) Explain how industry changed in the Soviet Union in the years 1928–39. (8)

Indicate which question you are answering by marking a cross in the box ☐. If you change your mind, put a line through the box ☐ and then indicate your new question with a cross ☐.

Chosen Question Number:  Question 2(a) ☐  Question 2(b) ☐
Answer EITHER Question 3(a) OR 3(b).

Spelling, punctuation and grammar will be assessed in this question.

EITHER

*3 (a) Was the defeat of Russia's armies in the First World War the main reason why the Tsar abdicated in 1917? Explain your answer.

You may use the following in your answer.
- The defeat of Russia's armies in the First World War
- The influence of Rasputin

You must also include information of your own.

(16)

OR

*3 (b) Was the introduction of War Communism the main reason why the Bolsheviks won the Civil War in Russia (1918–22)? Explain your answer.

You may use the following in your answer.
- The introduction of War Communism
- The role of Trotsky

You must also include information of your own.

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(Total for spelling, punctuation and grammar = 4 marks)
(Total for Question 3 = 20 marks)
Indicate which question you are answering by marking a cross in the box ❑. If you change your mind, put a line through the box ❌ and then indicate your new question with a cross ❑.

Chosen Question Number:   Question 3(a)   ❑   Question 3(b)   ❑