

HISTORY PAPER 2

11:15 am – 12:45 pm (1 hour 30 minutes)

This paper must be answered in English

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This paper consists of seven essay-type questions, of which you may attempt any *two*.
2. Write your answers in the answer book. Start each question on a new page.

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Attempt any *two* questions.

1. 'Hong Kong's socio-economic development was tightly tied to the Mainland in the second half of the 20th century.' Do you agree? Explain your view.
2. 'Domestic factor was the most important factor in the development of Japan in the period 1952-73.' Do you agree? Explain your view.
3. How important was patriotism in fostering China's modernisation? Explain your answer with support of historical facts during the period 1900-23.
4. Analyse the political, military and economic features of the US-USSR relations in the period 1950-70. Discuss whether these features remained after the 1970s. Explain your answer with reference to historical development in the period 1950-91.
5. 'Countries after the Second World War have learnt their lessons in the interwar period.' Comment on the validity of this statement. Limit your discussion up to 1970.
6. 'National interest was the main driving force of the development of Israeli-Arab relations.' Do you agree? Explain your view.
7. 'Liberal ideas were the trend during the 20th century.' Do you agree? Choose one country/region in your syllabus and justify your stance.

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