

HSY1511

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AFRICA IN THE WORLD: HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES

Duration 2 Hours

100 Marks

EXAMINERS

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Closed book examination

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- **This paper consists of 3 pages**
- **This paper consists of two sections**
- **Both sections must be answered.**
- **There is a choice of questions in both sections.**
- **Please ensure that all questions that you answer are numbered correctly.**

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SECTION A PARAGRAPHS

Answer any FIVE of the following paragraph questions. Each answer should be between 10 and 15 lines in length, and carries 10 marks

- 1 Briefly outline reasons why the study of history is important (10)
- 2 Explain briefly why knowledge of history can empower marginalised groups to challenge their position in society (10)
- 3 Using at least three examples, explain the difference between a primary source and a secondary source (10)
- 4 Briefly assess the importance of oral tradition in enabling historians to reconstruct the history of African societies (10)
- 5 Briefly outline major ways in which historians of Africa have altered Eurocentric approaches to the study of history (10)
- 6 Outline briefly three main changes in Europe that paved the way for the spread of Enlightenment ideas (10)
- 7 Discuss briefly the main features of absolutist states in Europe during the 17th century (10)
- 8 Why did Europeans begin to regard themselves as superior to people in other parts of the world from the 17th century onwards? (10)
- 9 What were the main ways in which the ideas of the Enlightenment were reflected in the French Revolution? (10)
- 10 Outline briefly the impact of the Belgians in the Congo during the colonial period (10)
- 11 Briefly discuss Josef Stalin's policies in communist Russia during the 1920s and 1930s (10)
- 12 Mention briefly the main reasons why decolonisation occurred in Africa after the Second World War (10)

(Section A: 5 x 10 marks = 50 marks)

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SECTION B: ESSAYS

Answer ONE of the following essay questions. Your answer should be about 2 – 3 pages in length and carries 50 marks

- 1 'The Enlightenment influenced world events in positive ways during the 17th and 18th centuries.' Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer (50)
- 2 Discuss interaction and changing relationships between the British and Indians in the Indian sub-continent during the 18th and 19th centuries (50)
- 3 Discuss the impact of Christian missions in north America and southern Africa during the 18th and 19th centuries (50)
- 4 Assess the main aims and achievements of Pan-African nationalist movements in Africa in the 20th century (50)

(Section B: 1 x 50 marks = 50 marks)

TOTAL: 100 marks