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History
Higher level
Paper 3 – history of Asia and Oceania

8 May 2024

Zone A morning | **Zone B** morning | **Zone C** morning

2 hours 30 minutes

Instructions to candidates

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer any three questions.
- Each question is worth **[15 marks]**.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is **[45 marks]**.

Section 1: Trade and exchange: The Silk Road in the medieval world (750–1500)

1. “The Silk Road under the Tang dynasty reached its height of prosperity.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?
2. To what extent was the transmission of religious ideas the most important consequence of the Silk Road?

Section 2: Japan in the Age of the Samurai (1180–1333)

3. Evaluate the impact of the samurai on Japanese society and culture up to 1333.
4. Discuss the reasons for the Mongol invasions of Japan (1274 and 1281).

Section 3: Exploration, trade and interaction in East Asia and South-East Asia (1405–1700)

5. Discuss the reasons for European expeditions to East Asia and South-East Asia.
6. Compare and contrast the impact of isolation on China and Japan up to 1700.

Section 4: The rise and fall of the Mughal Empire (1526–1712)

7. Evaluate the significance of Aurangzeb’s reign on the Mughal Empire.
8. Examine the reasons for domestic opposition to Mughal rule.

Section 5: Colonialism and the development of nationalism in South-East Asia (c1750–1914)

9. To what extent did the social and cultural effects of the French colonial system contribute to the beginnings of nationalism in Indo-China?
10. Examine the methods used by Rama IV (Mongkut) and Rama V (Chulalongkorn) in maintaining Siamese independence.

Section 6: India, Afghanistan and Burma (1750–1919)

11. Discuss the reasons for the expansion of the British East India Company in India by 1805.
12. To what extent was Russo-British rivalry the main cause of the First and Second Anglo-Afghan Wars?

Section 7: Challenges to traditional East Asian societies (1700–1868)

13. Evaluate the impact of the reign of the Qianlong Emperor on China.
14. “Commodore Perry’s expedition was the main reason for the crisis of the Bakumatsu period (1853–1868).” To what extent do you agree with this statement?

Section 8: British colonialism and emerging national identities in Oceania (1788–1919)

15. Discuss the impact of tensions between indigenous people and settlers in either Australia or New Zealand.
16. Examine the nature and impact of British administration in the Pacific Islands.

Section 9: Early modernization and imperial decline in East Asia (1860–1912)

17. “Cixi was responsible for the failure of the Self-Strengthening Movement (1861–1894).” To what extent do you agree with this statement?
18. Examine the contribution of social and economic developments to the modernization of Meiji Japan up to 1912.

Section 10: Nationalism and independence in India (1919–1964)

19. To what extent was Jinnah responsible for the partition of the South Asian subcontinent in 1947?
20. To what extent did Nehru’s domestic policies consolidate the new Indian state by 1964?

Section 11: Japan (1912–1990)

21. “The US embargo (1940) was the main factor that led to the outbreak of war in the Pacific in 1941.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?
22. Evaluate the reasons for Japan’s “economic miracle”.

Section 12: China and Korea (1910–1950)

23. Evaluate the impact of Jiang Jieshi’s rule over China up to 1937.
24. Evaluate the political and military impact of the Sino-Japanese War (1937–1945) on China up to 1945.

Section 13: Impact of the Second World War on South-East Asia

25. “There was more collaboration than resistance in Japanese-occupied South-East Asia.” Discuss with reference to Indochina and Malaya.
26. Evaluate the reasons for Indonesian independence in 1949.

Section 14: The People’s Republic of China (1949–2005)

27. To what extent did the Great Leap Forward contribute to the start of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution?
28. Examine the causes and effects of Tiananmen Square (1989) in China up to 1997.

Section 15: Cold War conflicts in Asia

29. “The Malayan Emergency (1948–1960) was resolved because of the policies of the colonial government.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?
30. To what extent was the Cold War the main cause for the Vietnam War (1956–1975)?

Section 16: Developments and challenges in South Asia after 1947

31. To what extent were cultural and linguistic differences the biggest challenge faced by Pakistan from 1947 to 1971?
32. “The legacy of colonial rule was the main reason for civil war in Sri Lanka.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?

Section 17: Developments in Oceania after the Second World War (1945–2005)

33. To what extent did immigration create a multicultural society in Australia by 2005?
34. “The policies of the Hawke/Keating government led to the modernization of Australia.” To what extent do you agree with this statement?

Section 18: Social, cultural and economic developments in Asia (excluding China, Japan and India) (1980–2005)

35. With reference to **two** countries (excluding China, Japan and India), discuss the causes of emigration from 1980 to 2005.
 36. To what extent was gender equality achieved in **two** countries in the region by 2005 (excluding China, Japan and India)?
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