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General marking guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the last candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the first.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed-out work should be marked unless the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

How to award marks

Finding the right level

The first stage is to decide which level the answer should be placed in. To do this, use a 'best-fit' approach, deciding which level most closely describes the quality of the answer. Answers can display characteristics from more than one level, and where this happens markers must use their professional judgement to decide which level is most appropriate.

Placing a mark within a level

After a level has been decided on, the next stage is to decide on the mark within the level. The instructions below tell you how to reward responses within a level. However, where a level has specific guidance about how to place an answer within a level, always follow that guidance.

Markers should be prepared to use the full range of marks available in a level and not restrict marks to the middle. Markers should start at the middle of the level (or the upper-middle mark if there is an even number of marks) and then move the mark up or down to find the best mark. To do this, they should take into account how far the answer meets the requirements of the level:

- If it meets the requirements *fully*, markers should be prepared to award full marks within the level. The top mark in the level is used for answers that are as good as can realistically be expected within that level
- If it only *barely* meets the requirements of the level, markers should consider awarding marks at the bottom of the level. The bottom mark in the level is used for answers that are the weakest that can be expected within that level
- The middle marks of the level are used for answers that have a *reasonable* match to the descriptor. This might represent a balance between some characteristics of the level that are fully met and others that are only barely met

Generic Level Descriptors for Paper 2

SECTION A Question (a)

Targets: AO1 (6 marks): Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied.

Level	Mark	Descriptor
	0	No rewardable material.
1	1–2	Simple, valid comment is offered about feature(s) with limited or no supporting information
2	3–4	Features of the period are identified and information about them is added. Maximum 3 marks for an answer dealing with only one feature.
3	5–6	Features of the period are explained showing good knowledge and understanding of the period studied.

Section A: Question (b)

Target: AO3 (8 marks): Use a range of source material to comprehend, interpret and cross-refer sources.

Level	Mark	Descriptor
	0	No rewardable material.
1	1–2	Answers make simple valid comment that identifies agreement or difference but with limited source use. Simple comprehension of the source material is shown by the extraction or paraphrase of some content.
2	3–5	Answer offers valid comment that identifies agreement and/or difference, using sources. Comprehension and some analysis of the sources is shown by the selection and use of material to support a comparison. Both agreement and difference must be identified for 5 marks.
3	6–8	Answer provides an explained evaluation of the extent of support. The sources are cross-referred and comparisons used to support reasoning about the extent of support.

Section A: Question (c)

Targets: AO3 (10 marks) Use a range of source material to comprehend, interpret and cross-refer sources.

AO4 (6 marks) Analyse and evaluate historical interpretations in the context of historical events studied.

Level	Mark	Descriptor
	0	No rewardable material.
1	1–4	- Answers offers simple, valid comment to agree with or counter the interpretation. - Limited analysis of the provided materials is shown by selection and inclusion of some detail in the form of simple paraphrase or direct quotation. - Generalised contextual knowledge is included and linked to the evaluation. - The overall judgement is missing or asserted
2	5–8	- Answers offers valid comment to agree with or counter the interpretation. - Some analysis is shown in selecting and including details from the provided materials to support this comment. - Some relevant contextual knowledge is included and linked to the evaluation. - An overall judgement is given but it's justification is insecure or undeveloped and a line of reasoning is not sustained.
3	9–12	- Answer provides an explained evaluation, agreeing or disagreeing with the interpretation. - Good analysis of the provided materials is shown, indication differences and deploying this to support the evaluation. - Relevant contextual knowledge is used directly to support the evaluation. - An overall judgement is given with some justification and a line of reasoning is generally sustained.
4	13–16	- Answer provides an explained evaluation reviewing alternative views in coming to a sustained judgement. - Precise analysis of the provided materials is shown, indicating differences, and deploying this material to support the evaluation. - Relevant contextual knowledge is precisely selected and used directly to support the evaluation. - An overall judgement is justified and the line of reasoning is coherent, sustained and logically structured.

SECTION A: Historical Investigation

A1: The origins and course of the First World War, 1905-18

Question	
A1 (a)	Describe TWO features of EITHER Austro-Serbian rivalry OR anti-U-boat measures. AO1 (6 marks): Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied.
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Question	
A1 (b)	How far does Source A support the evidence of Source B about the use of poison gas during the First World War? Explain your answer. Target: AO3 (8 marks) Use a range of source material to comprehend, interpret and cross-refer sources.
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Question	
A1 (c)	Extract C suggests that poison gas was not a very effective weapon during the First World War. How far do you agree with this interpretation? Use Extract C, Sources A and B and your own knowledge to explain your answer. Targets: AO3 (10 marks) Use a range of source material to comprehend, interpret and cross-refer sources. AO4 (6 marks) Analyse and evaluate historical interpretations in the context of historical events studied.
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A2: Russia and the Soviet Union, 1905-24

Question	
A2 (a)	Describe TWO features of EITHER opposition groups (1905-14) OR the Civil War. AO1 (6 marks): Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied.
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Question	
A2 (b)	How far does Source A support the evidence of Source B about Lenin and Trotsky? Explain your answer. Target: AO3 (8 marks) Use a range of source material to comprehend, interpret and cross-refer sources.
Marking instructions Answers must be credited according to candidates' deployment of material in relation to the qualities outlined in the generic level descriptors, given at the beginning of this mark scheme. The indicative content below is not prescriptive and candidates are not required to include all the material which is indicated as relevant. Other relevant material not suggested below must also be credited. Both agreement and disagreement must be identified for 5 marks. Indicative content Points of agreement may include: • The sources agree that Lenin and Trotsky were talented and able men – Source A describes their abilities and Source B states that they were 'both extraordinary' • The sources both suggest that Lenin and Trotsky complemented each other – Source A refers to their 'partnership' and Source B states that they worked 'together' • The sources agree that Lenin and Trotsky brought about the Bolshevik Revolution – Source A refers to them being 'successful' and Source B states that they seized power. Points of difference may include: • Source A describes Lenin as 'the driving force' and the 'brains and planner' of the Bolshevik Revolution – this is not mentioned in Source B Points regarding extent may include: • Sources A and B differ with regard to the relative importance of Lenin and Trotsky in bringing about the Bolshevik Revolution • The sources strongly agree that Lenin and Trotsky were very able men who successfully seized power in October 1917.	

Question	
A2 (c)	Extract C suggests that Lenin was much more important than Trotsky in bringing about the Bolshevik Revolution. How far do you agree with this interpretation? Use Extract C, Sources A and B and your own knowledge to explain your answer. Targets: AO3 (10 marks) Use a range of source material to comprehend, interpret and cross-refer sources. AO4 (6 marks) Analyse and evaluate historical interpretations in the context of historical events studied.
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Question	
A3 (a)	Describe TWO features of EITHER hire purchase in the 1920s OR the Ku Klux Klan. AO1 (6 marks): Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied.
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Question	
A3 (b)	How far does Source A support the evidence of Source B about Huey Long Explain your answer. Target: AO3 (8 marks) Use a range of source material to comprehend, Interpret and cross-refer sources.
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Question	
A3 (c)	Extract C suggests that Long was a serious challenge to President Roosevelt's New Deal policies. How far do you agree with this interpretation? Use Extract C, Sources A and B and your own knowledge to explain your answer. Targets: AO3 (10 marks) Use a range of source material to comprehend, interpret and cross-refer sources. AO4 (6 marks) Analyse and evaluate historical interpretations in the context of historical events studied.
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A4: The Vietnam Conflict, 1945-75

Question	
A4 (a)	Describe TWO features of EITHER life in North Vietnam under Ho Chi Minh OR Search and Destroy. AO1 (6 marks): Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied.
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Question	
A4 (b)	How far does Source A support the evidence of Source B about opposition in the USA to the war in Vietnam? Explain your answer. Target: AO3 (8 marks) Use a range of source material to comprehend, Interpret and cross-refer sources.

Marking instructions

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Both agreement and disagreement must be identified for 5 marks.

Indicative content

Points of agreement may include:

- The sources agree that the misery inflicted on the Vietnamese people encouraged opposition in the USA – Source A refers to 'the huge suffering' caused by US actions and Source B refers to 'the effects of napalm on children'
- The sources agree that the media played some role in the growth of opposition – Source A suggests that the 'media' helped inform opinions and Source B states that 'the photos...the television news images' led many to oppose the war.

Points of difference may include:

- Source A refers to the opposition of many Vietnam veterans to the war – this is absent from Source B
- Source B refers to social and cultural change in the USA as a factor in growing opposition to the war, especially among the young – Source A concentrates upon opposition to the bullying of the Vietnamese people.

Points regarding extent may include:

- There is some difference in emphasis between the sources about the reasons for opposition to the war in the USA
- The sources strongly agree that opposition to the war was encouraged by the growing awareness of many Americans of the damage and suffering inflicted on Vietnam by the activities of US soldiers.

Question	
A4 (c)	Extract C suggests that the main reason for the increasing opposition to the Vietnam War in the USA was extensive media coverage. How far do you agree with this interpretation? Use Extract C, Sources A and B and your own knowledge to explain your answer. Targets: AO3 (10 marks) Use a range of source material to comprehend, interpret and cross-refer sources. AO4 (6 marks) Analyse and evaluate historical interpretations in the context of historical events studied.
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A5: East Germany, 1958-90

Question	
A5 (a)	Describe TWO features of EITHER religion and the church in the GDR OR housing in the GDR. AO1 (6 marks): Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied.
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Question	
A5 (b)	How far does Source A support the evidence of Source B about the reunification of East and West Germany in October 1990? Explain your answer. Target: AO3 (8 marks) Use a range of source material to comprehend, Interpret and cross-refer sources.
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Question	
A5 (c)	Extract C suggests that the opening of the Berlin Wall in November 1989 was followed by much disappointment in Germany. How far do you agree with this interpretation? Use Extract C, Sources A and B and your own knowledge to explain your answer. Targets: AO3 (10 marks) Use a range of source material to comprehend, interpret and cross-refer sources. AO4 (6 marks) Analyse and evaluate historical interpretations in the context of historical events studied.
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