



GCSE HISTORY

Paper 1 Section A/D: America, 1920–1973: Opportunity and
inequality

Interpretations Booklet

Interpretations A and **B** for use in answering Questions 01, 02 and 03



Interpretation A Adapted from the autobiography of Cecil Roberts, 'The Bright Twenties', published in 1970.

Roberts was an English journalist and novelist. His books were international bestsellers. He had a celebrity lifestyle, travelled widely and stayed with wealthy people. During the 1920s he toured America to promote his books.

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Interpretation A is Roberts saying the American economy boomed in the 1920s.

Interpretation B Adapted from a report about the American economy in the 1920s written by Vladimir Voitinsky.

Voitinsky wrote this report for the American Government in 1945. He was a leading European economist who worked as an adviser for the American government from 1935 to 1960.

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Interpretation B is Voitinsky saying that the economic boom did not last.

END OF INTERPRETATIONS

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