

Section 1: 1760–1815

- 1 What best explains the ministerial instability of the 1760s?
- 2 Was the American War of Independence caused more by British obstinacy than by American rebelliousness?
- 3 Why did it take until 1807 to abolish the slave trade?
- 4 How effective were the domestic policies of Pitt the Younger during the years 1784 to 1793?
- 5 Why did political and social agitation in the 1790s achieve so little?

Section 2: 1815–1868

- 6 How serious were the domestic problems facing Lord Liverpool, 1815–1821?
- 7 ‘Castlereagh’s foreign policy during the years 1815 to 1822 was a triumph of statesmanship.’ Discuss.
- 8 What best explains why Grey’s ministry backed parliamentary reform?
- 9 How important are internal divisions in explaining the failure of Chartism?
- 10 What best explains why there were so many different ministries in the years 1852 to 1868?

Section 3: 1868–1914

- 11 How significant were the changes brought about by the domestic policies of Disraeli's second ministry, 1874–1880?
- 12 What best explains why the Liberals lost the General Election of 1874?
- 13 What best explains Britain's involvement in the 'Scramble for Africa'?
- 14 How far was Balfour personally responsible for the Conservative electoral defeat of 1906?
- 15 Was the Liberal Party in terminal decline by 1914?

Section 4: 1914–1945

- 16 Assess the quality of British military leadership on the Western Front during the First World War.
- 17 How much was achieved by Lloyd George's coalition government in the years 1918 to 1922?
- 18 'A skilled politician.' Assess this judgement of Baldwin during the years from 1922 to 1931.
- 19 'Thoroughly appropriate given the circumstances.' Discuss this view of Chamberlain's policy of appeasement in the years 1937 to 1939.
- 20 How significantly did the Second World War affect the lives of the British people?

Section 5: 1945–2010

- 21 'A wasted opportunity.' Assess this verdict on the domestic policies of the Labour governments of 1945 to 1951.
- 22 What best explains the Suez disaster of 1956?
- 23 How effective were the Macmillan governments during the years 1957 to 1963?
- 24 Did British governments pursue similar policies in the years 1964 to 1979?
- 25 How is the fall of Thatcher in 1990 best explained?

Section 6: Themes

- 26 'Nineteenth-century Britain experienced a crisis of faith.' Did it?
- 27 How much did Britain benefit from the Industrial Revolution?
- 28 Assess the role of education as an agent of social change in **either** the nineteenth **or** the twentieth century.
- 29 How significant was the emergence of the Romantic Movement?
- 30 How far was the mass media responsible for changing attitudes towards women in the period c.1945 to c.2010?

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