



**HISTORY**  
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**PAPER 3 – AMERICAS**

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2 hours 30 minutes

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer three questions.

1. Compare and contrast the impact of Christianity on the native population in **two** countries of the region during the colonial period.
2. What influence did ideas from the Enlightenment have on the Wars of Independence? Support your answer with reference to **one** country of the region.
3. Analyse the weaknesses and achievements of the United States government under the Articles of Confederation.
4. Why did the USA go to war in 1812?
5. Which groups favoured Confederation in Canada and why?
6. Examine the success or failure of **two** slave rebellions in any country of the region. Support your answer with specific examples.
7. “Slavery was the most important cause of the Civil War in the United States.” To what extent do you agree with this judgement?
8. “In the late 19th century Latin American economies grew but did not develop.” How far do you agree with this statement? Support your answer with examples from **one** country of the region.
9. How and why did the relationship between Canada and Britain change between 1900 and 1939?
10. In what ways did immigration to the United States in the period from 1800 to 1860 differ from the period from 1880 to 1924?
11. Evaluate the changes in the United States policy towards Latin America from 1898 to 1941.
12. “The Mexican constitution of 1917 was the first example of a constitutional document reflecting their own experiences and needs rather than merely copying political ideologies of Europe and the United States.” How justified is this view?

13. Analyse the causes of the Great Depression (1929) in **one** country of the region.
  14. Assess the evolution and impact of nationalism in **one** country of Latin America from the 1930s to the 1960s.
  15. Why, and with what results, did the United States become the “arsenal of democracy” in 1940?
  16. Evaluate President Truman’s decision to drop the atomic bomb on Hiroshima in 1945.
  17. Why did Cuba become a Marxist-Leninist state closely tied to the Soviet Union by 1961?
  18. To what extent, and with what results, had Ronald Reagan, by the end of his presidency, fulfilled his campaign promises in domestic policy?
  19. Why had President Nixon ended American involvement in the Vietnam War by 1973?
  20. Assess the impact of Martin Luther King on the Civil Rights movement.
  21. Analyse the experiences of any **two** Canadian minorities in the twentieth century.
  22. To what extent has economic failure been characteristic of Latin American military governments between the 1960s and 1980s? Explain your answer using examples of **two** countries of the region.
  23. With reference to **two** countries of the region assess the gains that women made in politics and the professions between 1970 and 1980.
  24. Explain why the United States overthrew the Arbenz government in Guatemala in 1954.
  25. Assess the successes and limitations of **two** regional trade agreements.
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