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History
Higher level
Paper 3 – history of Asia and Oceania

Wednesday 8 May 2019 (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. To what extent did the Silk Road enable political and cultural integration in the medieval world?
2. Discuss the causes of the decline of the Silk Road in the 15th century.

Section 2: Japan in the age of the samurai (1180–1333)

3. Evaluate the political impact of the establishment of the Kamakura Shogunate on Japan.
4. “The expanding role of the samurai had a negative impact on Japanese society and culture.” Discuss.

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

5. To what extent was the “looking out” policy of China based on economic motives?
6. Discuss the impact of the voyages of Vasco da Gama (1498) **and** Magellan (1519) on South-East Asia.

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

7. To what extent was military power important to the consolidation of Mughal rule?
8. “External factors were the main cause of the decline of the Mughal Empire.” Discuss.

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

9. Evaluate the economic, social and cultural effects of the French colonial system in Indo-China.
10. Examine the causes of the Philippine Revolution (1896).

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

11. “Religious issues were the main cause of the Great Revolt (Indian Mutiny) of 1857.” Discuss.
12. Examine the reasons for resistance to British attempts to influence Afghanistan.

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

13. Examine the reasons for the rise and fall of the Taiping [Taip’ing] Rebellion.
14. “Commodore Perry’s expedition was the most important reason for the fall of the Tokugawa Shogunate.” Discuss.

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

15. “The economic impact of the gold rushes was more significant than their social impact.” Discuss.
16. To what extent was Gallipoli significant to the political and social development of Australia **and** New Zealand?

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

17. Evaluate the achievements of the Self-Strengthening Movement (1861–1894).
18. “Japanese military power was the most important reason for Japan’s victory in the Russo–Japanese War (1904–1905).” Discuss.

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

19. Examine the long- and short-term causes of the growth of Muslim separatism.
20. Discuss the importance of the Second World War to the achievement of Indian independence.

Section 11: Japan (1912–1990)

21. Evaluate the impact of the First World War on Japan.
22. “Japan’s weakness was the main reason for its defeat in the Pacific War (1941–1945).” Discuss.

Section 12: China and Korea (1910–1950)

23. Evaluate the role of Mao Zedong’s leadership in the rise of Communism in China to 1935.
24. Discuss the social, political and economic impact of Japanese annexation (1910) on Korea to 1937.

Section 13: Impact of the world wars on South-East Asia

25. “The First World War had a limited impact on the independence movement in Vietnam.” Discuss.
26. Compare and contrast the emergence and influence of Sukarno **and** Tunku Abdul Rahman as nationalist leaders.

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

27. Evaluate the impact of domestic policies on social developments in the People’s Republic of China under Mao Zedong.
28. “Desire for political reform was the most important reason for the events in Tiananmen Square in 1989.” Discuss.

Section 15: Cold War conflicts in Asia

29. “Ideology was the most important cause of the Vietnam War (1956–1975).” Discuss.
30. Discuss the reasons for the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan in 1979 **and** the reasons for the withdrawal of Soviet troops in 1989.

Section 16: Developments and challenges in South Asia after 1947

31. To what extent can Nehru's foreign policy be considered successful?
32. "Economic issues were the main cause of the Sinhalese–Tamil conflict." Discuss.

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

33. Examine the reasons why Australian foreign policy developed an increasingly Asian focus after the Second World War.
34. "Changing attitudes between 1945 and 2005 led to policies that were more beneficial for indigenous people in Australia." Discuss.

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

35. Discuss the causes of immigration in **one** country and emigration in **one** other country of the region (excluding China, Japan and India) during the period from 1980 to 2005.
 36. Discuss the emergence of, and responses to, terrorism in **two** Asian countries (excluding China, Japan and India).
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