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HISTORY PAPER 2

11:15 am – 12:45 pm (1 hour 30 minutes)
This paper must be answered in English

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This paper consists of seven essay-type questions, of which you may attempt any *two*.
2. Write your answers in the answer book. Start each question on a new page.

Answer any *two* questions.

1. How was Hong Kong's economic development during British rule up to 1997 affected by the China factor? Explain your view.
2. How far were the methods of economic development adopted in the Maoist period different from those in the post-Mao period? Explain your view.
3. 'The USA facilitated more than hindered Japan's development after the Second World War.' Do you agree? Explain your view with reference to Japan's development in the period 1945-2000.
4. To what extent was the Second World War a consequence of the Paris Peace Settlement (1919-23)? Explain your view with reference to Europe's historical development in the period 1919-39.
5. Assess the relative importance of ideological difference and national interest with respect to the development of the Cold War in the period 1946-91.
6. 'Israel should be primarily held responsible for its long-lasting conflicts with the Arabs after the Second World War.' Do you agree? Explain your view.
7. 'The 20th century was characterised more by international cooperation than conflict.' Do you agree? Explain your view using historical examples from Themes A and B within your history curriculum.

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