

PRACTICE PAPER  
HISTORY PAPER 2

(1 hour 15 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. Where a question is divided into a number of sub-questions, you **MUST** divide your answer into different parts accordingly. You risk mark penalties if you do not do so.
3. Write your answers in the answer book. Start each question (not sub-question) on a new page.

Answer any *two* questions.

1. 'Hong Kong's economic development in the second half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century was primarily shaped by the China factor.' Do you agree? Explain your answer. (15 marks)
  
2. Account for the rise of militarism in Japan in the 1930s. (15 marks)
  
3. In what ways was the year 1949 a turning point of modern Chinese history? (15 marks)
  
4. Examine how the Paris Peace Settlements (1919-23) established a new international order. (15 marks)
  
5. Assess the significance of Gorbachev relative to other factors which brought about the end of the Cold War. (15 marks)
  
6. Discuss the roles the United Nations played in settling the racial conflicts in the Balkans and conflicts between Israel and the Arabs. (15 marks)
  
7. Choose any *one* country or region covered by the course, and discuss to what extent this country/region in the late 20<sup>th</sup> century was different from what it had been in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. (15 marks)

**END OF PAPER**

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