INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces at the top of this page.

Answer Question 1 (Section A) and either Question 2 or Question 3 (Section B).

Write your answers in the spaces provided in this booklet. Use supplementary sheets when there is insufficient room in this booklet. Write your name at the top of each supplementary sheet, indicating clearly the number of the question you answer. Put the supplementary sheets inside this booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question. You will be awarded marks for the quality of your written communication.

Your answers must be relevant and must make full use of the information given to be awarded full marks for a question.

You are reminded that you should always support your answers using your knowledge and understanding of the topic chosen.
1. This question is about the impact of the Cold War on American society.

Source A – A map of the Cuban Missile Crisis

(a) Give two ways that the American people responded to the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1962. [2]
(b) Describe the Space Race. [4]
Study Source B. Then answer the question that follows.

Source B – An American publicity photograph showing President Kennedy at the Berlin Wall in 1963

(c) How useful is Source B to an historian studying the Soviet takeover of Eastern Europe? [4]

In your answer you should consider the content and origin of the source.
(d) Explain why the USA lost the Vietnam War. [6]
Read Sources C and D. Then answer the question that follows.

Source C

‘Why are we in South Vietnam? We are there because we have a promise to keep. We promised to help South Vietnam defend its independence.’

(From a speech at a university in the USA, by American President Lyndon Johnson in 1965)

Source D

‘US involvement in Vietnam increased as part of their policy of containment in order to stop the spread of communism. The USA was not there to defend Vietnam.’

(From a GCSE textbook about twentieth century American History published in 2011)

(e) Why do Sources C and D give different views about why the USA was involved in the Vietnam War? In your answer you should consider both the content of the sources and their authorship.
(f) ‘The Cuban Missile Crisis was the most serious event of the Cold War.’
How far do you agree with this statement? [8]

In your answer you might refer to:

• the importance of the Cuban Missile Crisis;
• other important events during the Cold War.

Conclude your answer by saying how far you agree with the statement.
SECTION B

Answer either Question 2 or Question 3.

2. This question is about the challenge of achieving racial equality in America.

Civil rights protests were held in the USA during the 1960s.

Source E – A photograph of a Black Power protest

(a) Give two methods of protest used by the Black Power movement. [2]
(b) Describe how the Ku Klux Klan treated black people. [4]
(c) Explain why the US government passed laws in the 1960s to grant equal civil rights to black people.
(d) ‘The Black Power movement was the most important factor in achieving civil rights for black people in the USA.’
How far do you agree with this statement? [8]

In your answer you might refer to:

- the role played by the Black Power movement in achieving civil rights for black people in the USA;
- other individuals and groups who helped bring about civil rights.

Conclude your answer by saying how far you agree with the statement.

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END OF QUESTION 2
If you have answered Question 2 you must not answer Question 3.

3. This question is about the different influences on the American people’s lives after 1945.

Source F – A prosperous American family

(a) Give two examples of consumer items bought by people as a result of increased prosperity in the USA after 1945. [2]
(b) Describe the methods used by the women's liberation movement.  [4]
(c) Explain why the Watergate Scandal was so shocking to the American people.
(d) ‘The Kennedy assassination of 1963 was the most important influence on the lives of the American people after 1945.’

How far do you agree with this statement? [8]

In your answer you might refer to:

- the impact of the Kennedy assassination on the American people;
- other important influences on the lives of the American people.

Conclude your answer by saying how far you agree with the statement.