



# Cambridge International AS & A Level

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## HISTORY

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Paper 3 Interpretations Question

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1 hour 15 minutes



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

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### INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **one** question from **one** section only.
  - Section A: The origins of the First World War
  - Section B: The Holocaust
  - Section C: The origins and development of the Cold War
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

### INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 40.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].

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This document has 4 pages.

Answer **one** question from **one** section only.

**Section A: Topic 1**

**The origins of the First World War**

- 1** Read the extract and then answer the question.

The Austrians were not the only ones looking for a fight in July 1914.

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Given the power of the British navy, and its determination to keep Belgian ports out of German hands, this was a reckless decision.

*What can you learn from this extract about the interpretation and approach of the historian who wrote it? Use the extract and your knowledge of the origins of the First World War to explain your answer.*

[40]

**Section B: Topic 2****The Holocaust**

- 2** Read the extract and then answer the question.

By 1941 the Nazis saw at least three connected aspects of the 'Jewish problem': the German, the 'eastern' and the European.

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Within months many had frozen or starved to death, while from January 1942 onwards others were gassed at nearby Chelmno.

*What can you learn from this extract about the interpretation and approach of the historian who wrote it? Use the extract and your knowledge of the Holocaust to explain your answer.* [40]

**Section C: Topic 3****The origins and development of the Cold War****3** Read the extract and then answer the question.

The Roosevelt administration hoped, through its United Nations (UN) policy, to bring the nations of the world to accept American political traditions, thereby fulfilling the dream of making the world safer for democracy.

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In fact, these policy reviews were unknown to the American public, and the reconsideration of relations with the Russians, which ultimately produced the containment policy, coincided with what appeared to be the high point of official support for the UN policy.

*What can you learn from this extract about the interpretation and approach of the historian who wrote it? Use the extract and your knowledge of the Cold War to explain your answer.* [40]

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