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FORM 4 HISTORY EXAM (July 2015)
PAPER 2

Examiner: T. Blampied
Time: 2 hours

Moderator: P. Bossenger
Marks: 100

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

1. This question paper consists of 3 pages. Please check that your question paper is complete.
2. Answer EITHER Question 1 OR Question 2 in **Section A**. You must answer Question 3 in **Section B**.
3. Accurate and adequate factual knowledge is essential; equally important is the ability to use relevant information critically in answering the questions.
4. Please start each question on a new page.
5. Please hand in the question paper and the attached rubrics with your answers.

SECTION A

DISCURSIVE ESSAY

Answer any ONE question from this section.

A discursive essay showing evidence of analysis, interpretation, explanation and argument is required. It should be approximately 800 -900 words in length.

THEME

CRISIS OF CAPITALISM: USA 1920s & 1930s

QUESTION 1

“The 1920s was a time of success and progression for the USA.”

Critically evaluate the accuracy of this statement.

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OR

THEME

THE DEPRESSION & THE RISE OF FAR RIGHT POLITICS IN THE 1930s

QUESTION 2

“Hitler’s theatricality was linked to his oratorical force. He was persuasive with small groups, but he electrified large audiences.” (*Historian, Sherree Owens Zalampas*)

To what extent was Hitler’s oratorical ability a more significant factor than the economic depression in the rise of the Nazi party in 1930s Germany? Discuss.

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SECTION B

EXTENDED WRITING

You must answer the following question.

Your essay should be approximately 350 – 400 words in length. You should use your own knowledge and you may also refer to the stimulus to answer the question.

THEME

THE DEPRESSION & THE RISE OF FAR RIGHT POLITICS IN THE 1930s

QUESTION 3

Chinese delegate addresses the League of Nations after the Mukden Incident (Manchurian Crisis) in 1932.



Source: gallica.bnf.fr / Bibliothèque nationale de France

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mukden_Incident]

Explain the impact the depression had on the rise of far right politics in Japan by answering the following questions:

- (a) How had Japan developed throughout the 1920s, economically, politically and socially?
- (b) What challenges did the economic depression pose to Japan?
- (c) How did Japan deal with the economic crisis it faced in the 1930s?

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TOTAL: 100 marks