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US HISTORY TO 1877

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Paper 2 Outline Study

For examination from 2027

SPECIMEN PAPER

1 hour 45 minutes



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions.
- 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 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

This document has **2** pages.

Answer **two** questions.

Answer **both** parts of the questions you have chosen.

1 Indigenous Societies, European Colonization, and the Atlantic World, c.1400s–c.1800

(a) Explain why different groups of Europeans created settlements in the Americas. [10]

(b) To what extent were the lifestyles of the various indigenous peoples of North America similar? [20]

2 The American Revolution and the Emergence of a New Nation, c.1765–c.1815

(a) Explain why many African Americans participated in the Revolutionary War of 1776–83. [10]

(b) “The ideals expressed by Enlightenment thinkers were the most significant cause of the American Revolution.” How far do you agree with this view? [20]

3 A Changing New Nation, c.1820–c.1850

(a) Explain why transcendentalism became popular between 1830 and 1850. [10]

(b) To what extent was the influence of the Second Great Awakening the main reason for the growth of the abolitionist movement between 1820 and 1850? [20]

4 The Impacts of Expansion, c.1800–77

(a) Explain why the Great Sioux War of 1876–77 was fought. [10]

(b) How far was Manifest Destiny the main factor that drove westward expansion? [20]

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