

## PAST YEAR QUESTIONS

### PAPER 1: International History (9731/01)

#### Section A: Source-Based Questions

- [2007] UNESCO and Education in the developing world
- [2008] The UN and Kosovo
- [2009] United Nations and the Environment: The Rio Summit, 1992
- [2010] UN and the Gulf War, 1991
- [2011] UN and Cambodia
- [2012] UN and its peacekeeping role

#### Section B: Essay Questions

### 1. The Cold War And How It Shaped The World

#### 1A. Origins Of The Cold War

- [2008] Assess the significance of the Berlin Blockade in the development of the Cold War in Europe to 1955. **Sovietisation of EE: Berlin Blockade**
- [2009] 'The causes of the Cold War in Europe were strategic and economic rather than ideological.' How far do you agree? **Strategic/ economic/ ideological**
- [2010] Who was more to blame for the origins and development of the Cold War in Europe: Stalin or Truman? **Stalin vs. Truman**
- [2011] How important was the Sovietisation of Eastern Europe as a cause of the Cold War? **Sovietisation of EE**
- [2012] 'The Truman Doctrine was the most important factor in accelerating the development of the Cold War in Europe after WWII.' How far do you agree with this view? **Truman Doctrine**

#### 1B. Extension Of The Cold War Outside Europe

- [2007] To what extent was the Korean War a Cold War conflict? **KW as localised or part of global conflict**
- [2008] 'The Korean War was more significant in the spread of the Cold War outside Europe than the CMC'. How far do you agree? **Global consequences of KW vs. CMC**
- [2010] 'The CMC of 1962 was a triumph for Khrushchev rather than for Kennedy.' How far do you agree? **Impact of CMC**
- [2012] To what extent did the CMC arise from US hostility to Castro's regime? **Causes of CMC**

### 1C. End Of The Cold War

- [2007] How far did the collapse of communism in EE in 1989 cause the collapse of the USSR in 1991? **Debate on end of CW**
- [2009] 'The collapse of the USSR in 1991 was caused by internal problems and had nothing to do with the Cold War.' Assess this view. **Internal vs. external causes of collapse**

## 2. The Development Of The Global Economy

### 2A. Reasons For The Growth Of The Global Economy

- [2007] 'The most important reason for the growth of the global economy from 1945 to 1973 was the rapid recovery of WE after WWII.' How far do you agree? **Reasons for growth**
- ~~[2009] How significant for the development of the global economy has been the role of the IMF, GATT and WTO? (Out of syllabus)~~
- [2011] How far did the global economy benefit from the liberalisation of trade during the period 1945-2000? **Benefits of trade liberalisation**

### 2B. Problems That Affected The Growth Of The Global Economy

- [2007] Which created more problems for the development of the global economy between 1970 and 2000: protectionism or the debt crisis of the developing world? **Protectionism vs. debt crisis**
- [2010] 'The most important problem facing the development of the global economy, in the period 1945 to 2000, was the oil crisis of the 1970s.' How far do you agree? **Oil crisis**
- [2012] 'Trade imbalances created greater difficulties for the development of the global economy between 1970 and 2000 than did the debt crisis of the developing world.' How far do you agree with this view? **Trade imbalances vs. debt crisis**

### 2C. Reasons For The Dominant Role Of The USA In The Global Economy

- [2009] Evaluate the reasons for the dominance of the USA in the global economy.

### 2D. Reasons For Japan's Economic Success And Its Problems

- [2008] How far was the Japanese economic miracle from 1945 due to aid and assistance of the US? **Reasons for economic miracle**

## *2E. The Rise Of China In The Post-Mao Era*

- [2008] Assess the reasons for China's rise as a major economic power in the period 1978-2000.
- [2011] How far do changes in ideology explain the rise of China as a major economic power in the post-Mao era? **Ideology**

## **3. Conflict And Cooperation**

### *3A. Arab-Israeli Crisis*

- [2009] Assess the regional and global consequences of the failure to resolve the Arab-Israeli Conflict. **Consequences**
- [2011] 'The main reason for the failure to find a lasting solution to the Arab-Israeli conflict by 2000 has been the problem of the Occupied Territories.' How far do you agree with this view? **Causes**

### *3B. Religious fundamentalism*

- [2008] To what extent was the rise of religious fundamentalism in the Islamic world a reaction to Soviet/ Russian and Western policies, in the period 1970 to 2000? **Causes**
- [2010] How great was the impact of the rise of religious fundamentalism in the Middle East on regional security from 1970 to 2000? **Impact**

### *3C. India-Kashmir Conflict*

- [2007] To what extent was Britain responsible for the Indo-Pakistani conflict over Kashmir? **Role of Britain**
- [2010] To what extent has the attitude of Pakistan been responsible for the continuation, up to 2000, for the dispute over Kashmir? **Attitude of Pakistan**
- [2012] 'The conflict over Kashmir has had greater impact in India and Pakistan than elsewhere in the world.' How far do you agree with this view? **Impact of conflict**