

Advance information June 2022

A-level History (7042)

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Because of the ongoing impacts of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, we are providing advance information on the focus of June 2022 exams to help students revise.

This is the advance information for **A-level History (7042), 2S The Making of Modern Britain, 1951–2007**

Information

- This notice covers advanced information for **7042/2S The Making of Modern Britain, 1951–2007**.
- There are no restrictions on who can use this notice.
- This notice is meant to support final revision.
- The format/structure of the papers remains unchanged.
- You are **not** permitted to take this notice into the exam.

Advice

- Students and teachers can discuss this advance information notice.
- Questions will be drawn from one or more of the indicated areas of specification content.
- The information is presented in specification order and not in question order.
- Students **will** be credited for using any relevant knowledge when answering questions.
- Students **will not** be disadvantaged if solely using the areas indicated in this document. There is no expectation of knowledge beyond that identified in order to achieve full marks.
- It is advised that teaching and learning should still aim to address the entire subject content in the specification.

Focus of the June 2022 exam

This paper will sample from the following areas of the specification content for **7042/2S**.

Part one: building a new Britain, 1951–1979

Section one: The Affluent Society, 1951–1964

- Conservative governments and reasons for political dominance: Churchill, Eden, Macmillan and Home as political leaders; domestic policies; internal Labour divisions; reasons for Conservatives' fall from power
- Foreign relations: EFTA and attempts to join the EEC; relations with and policies towards USA and USSR; debates over the nuclear deterrent; Korean War; Suez; the 'Winds of Change' and decolonization

Section two: The Sixties, 1964–1970

- Wilson and the Labour governments: Wilson's ideology and leadership; economic policies and problems; devaluation; industrial relations; the trade unions; other domestic policies; Labour divisions; the beginning of the 'troubles' in Northern Ireland; the end of post-war consensus; loss of 1970 election
- Liberal reforming legislation: private members' bills and the end of capital punishment; divorce reform; the legalisation of abortion; the legalisation of homosexual relations; educational reform
- Social and cultural change: the expansion of the mass media; growth in leisure activities; the impact of scientific developments; the reduction in censorship; progress towards female equality; changes in moral attitudes; youth culture and the 'permissive society'; anti-Vietnam war riots; issues of immigration and race
- Relations with and policies towards USA, particularly issue of Vietnam; response to world affairs and relations with Europe; decolonisation including 'withdrawal East of Suez' and Rhodesia.

Section three: The end of the post-war Consensus, 1970-1979

- N/A

Part two: Modern Britain, 1979–2007

Section four: The impact of Thatcherism, 1979–1987

- Thatcher's economic policies and their impact: monetarism; privatisation; deregulation; issues of inflation, unemployment and economic realignment
- Impact of Thatcherism on society: sale of council houses; miners' strike and other industrial disputes; poll tax; extra-parliamentary opposition

Section five: Towards a new Consensus, 1987–1997

- Fall of Thatcher and her legacy; Major as leader; economic developments, including 'Black Wednesday' and its impact; political sleaze, scandals and satire; political policies; approach to Northern Ireland; Conservative divisions

Section six: The Era of New Labour, 1997–2007

- The Conservative Party: leaders and reason for divisions; reason for electoral failures in 2001 and 2005

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