



A-level HISTORY

The Making of a Superpower: USA 1865–1975

Paper 1K

ADDITIONAL SPECIMEN QUESTION PAPER

2 hours 30 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-page answer book.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is **1K**.
- Answer **three** questions.
In **Section A** answer Question 01.
In **Section B** answer **two** questions.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Advice

- You are advised to spend about:
 - 60 minutes on Question 01
 - 45 minutes on each of the other questions answered.
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Section A

Answer Question 01

Extract A

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Extract B

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Extract C

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Using your understanding of the historical context, assess how convincing the arguments in these three extracts are in relation to the achievements of Dwight Eisenhower.

[30 marks]

Section BAnswer **two** questions

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‘Between the end of the Civil War and 1890, the position of African Americans in the United States significantly improved.’

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]**0 3**

‘The Republican Party dominated American politics in the years 1868 to 1912 because it was the party of big business.’

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]**0 4**

‘The policies of US presidents had very little impact on the boom, bust and recovery of the American economy in the years 1920 to 1945.’

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]**END OF QUESTIONS**

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