

A-level **HISTORY**

The Making of a Superpower: USA, 1865–1975

Paper 1K

Specimen 2014

Morning Time allowed: 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.

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 US isolationism between the wars.

[30 marks]

Section B

Answer two questions.

To what extent was the rapid westward expansion of the United States in the years 1865 to 1890 due to the influence of ideas of 'Manifest Destiny'?

[25 marks]

US involvement in the First and Second World Wars caused fundamental changes in American society between 1917 and 1945.

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]

0 4 'Between 1945 and 1968 it became clear that the United States was a deeply divided nation.'

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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