

A-level **HISTORY**

International Relations and Global Conflict, c1890-1941

Paper 2K

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 2K.
- 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 two questions in Section B.

Section A

Answer Question 01.

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0 1 With reference to these sources and your understanding of the historical context, assess the value of these three sources to an historian studying the treatment of Germany in the Treaty of Versailles.

[30 marks]

Section B

Answer two questions.

10 2 'The descent into a general European war in 1914 had very little to do with the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand in Sarajevo.'

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]

The deterioration in the prospects for peace in the years 1924 to 1935 was mainly due to the Great Depression.

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]

o 4 'The western democracies failed to avoid the outbreak of a general war in Europe in 1939 because of their fear of Communism.'

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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