



GCSE



C100U30-1

WEDNESDAY, 7 JUNE 2023 – AFTERNOON

HISTORY

COMPONENT 2: STUDIES IN BREADTH

Period Study

2C. The Development of the USSR, 1924–1991

45 minutes plus your additional time allowance

Surname _____

First Name(s) _____

Centre Number _____

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Question	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
1.	5	
2.	6	
3.	9	
4.	8	
5.	12	
Total	40	

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink, black ball-point pen or your usual method.

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the front cover.

Answer all questions on the examination paper.

Write your answers in the spaces provided in this booklet. Additional space is provided for question 5 within the booklet (if required). If further space is required for any question, use the additional page(s) at the back of the booklet, taking care to number the question(s) correctly.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question.

Question 5 will assess your ability to construct a balanced, reasoned and well-substantiated extended response.

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Answer ALL questions.

QUESTION 1

Describe events in Stalingrad during 1942–1943.

[5 marks]

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QUESTION 2

How far did Gorbachev's reforms improve life in the USSR? [6 marks]

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QUESTION 3

Tensions increased between the USSR and the USA from 1945 to 1962 as a result of factors such as:

- the arms race, 1945–1962
- the Berlin Crisis of 1948–1949
- the Cuban Missile Crisis of 1962

Arrange the factors in order of their significance in increasing tensions between the USSR and the USA from 1945 to 1962. Explain your choices. [9 marks]

First Choice

Second Choice

Third Choice

3	6	Total

QUESTION 4

Explain why Khrushchev brought about the de-Stalinisation of the USSR. [8 marks]

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QUESTION 5

How important was the use of terror by Stalin in controlling the lives of the people of the USSR between 1924 and 1953? [12 marks]

[In your answer you should discuss the importance of the use of terror in Stalin's rule alongside other factors in order to reach a judgement.]

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