

GCSE

History A Explaining the Modern World

J410/07: The USA 1945-1974: The People and the State

General Certificate of Secondary Education

Mark Scheme for June 2023

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MARKING INSTRUCTIONS

PREPARATION FOR MARKING

RM ASSESSOR

- 1. Make sure that you have accessed and completed the relevant training packages for on-screen marking: *RM Assessor assessor Online Training*; *OCR Essential Guide to Marking*.
- 2. Make sure that you have read and understood the mark scheme and the question paper for this unit. These are posted on the RM Cambridge Assessment Support Portal http://www.rm.com/support/ca
- 3. Log-in to RM Assessor and mark the **required number** of practice responses ("scripts") and the **number of required** standardisation responses.

MARKING

- 1. Mark strictly to the mark scheme.
- 2. Marks awarded must relate directly to the marking criteria.
- 3. The schedule of dates is very important. It is essential that you meet the RM Assessor 50% and 100% (traditional 40% Batch 1 and 100% Batch 2) deadlines. If you experience problems, you must contact your Team Leader (Supervisor) without delay.
- 4. If you are in any doubt about applying the mark scheme, consult your Team Leader by telephone or the RM Assessor messaging system, or by email.

5. Crossed Out Responses

Where a candidate has crossed out a response and provided a clear alternative then the crossed out response is not marked. Where no alternative response has been provided, examiners may give candidates the benefit of the doubt and mark the crossed out response where legible.

Rubric Error Responses – Optional Questions

Where candidates have a choice of question across a whole paper or a whole section and have provided more answers than required, then all responses are marked and the highest mark allowable within the rubric is given. Enter a mark for each question answered into RM assessor, which will select the highest mark from those awarded. (The underlying assumption is that the candidate has penalised themselves by attempting more questions than necessary in the time allowed.)

Contradictory Responses

When a candidate provides contradictory responses, then no mark should be awarded, even if one of the answers is correct.

Short Answer Questions (requiring only a list by way of a response, usually worth only one mark per response)

Where candidates are required to provide a set number of short answer responses then only the set number of responses should be marked. The response space should be marked from left to right on each line and then line by line until the required number of responses have been considered. The remaining responses should not then be marked. Examiners will have to apply judgement as to whether a 'second response' on a line is a development of the 'first response', rather than a separate, discrete response. (The underlying assumption is that the candidate is attempting to hedge their bets and therefore getting undue benefit rather than engaging with the question and giving the most relevant/correct responses.)

Short Answer Questions (requiring a more developed response, worth two or more marks)

If the candidates are required to provide a description of, say, three items or factors and four items or factors are provided, then mark on a similar basis – that is downwards (as it is unlikely in this situation that a candidate will provide more than one response in each section of the response space.)

Longer Answer Questions (requiring a developed response)

Where candidates have provided two (or more) responses to a medium or high tariff question which only required a single (developed) response and not crossed out the first response, then only the first response should be marked. Examiners will need to apply professional judgement as to whether the second (or a subsequent) response is a 'new start' or simply a poorly expressed continuation of the first response.

- 6. Always check the pages (and additional objects if present) at the end of the response in case any answers have been continued there. If the candidate has continued an answer there, then add a tick to confirm that the work has been seen.
- 7. Award No Response (NR) if:

there is nothing written in the answer space

Award Zero '0' if:

• anything is written in the answer space and is not worthy of credit (this includes text and symbols).

Team Leaders must confirm the correct use of the NR button with their markers before live marking commences and should check this when reviewing scripts.

8. The RM Assessor **comments box** is used by your team leader to explain the marking of the practice responses. Please refer to these comments when checking your practice responses. **Do not use the comments box for any other reason.**

If you have any questions or comments for your team leader, use the phone, the RM Assessor messaging system, or e-mail.

- 9. Assistant Examiners will send a brief report on the performance of candidates to their Team Leader (Supervisor) via email by the end of the marking period. The report should contain notes on particular strengths displayed as well as common errors or weaknesses. Constructive criticism of the question paper/mark scheme is also appreciated.
- 10. For answers marked by levels of response:
 - a. To determine the level start at the highest level and work down until you reach the level that matches the answer
 - b. To determine the mark within the level, consider the following

Descriptor	Award mark
On the borderline of this level and the one below	At bottom of level
Just enough achievement on balance for this level	Above bottom and either below middle or at middle of level (depending on number of marks available)
Meets the criteria but with some slight inconsistency	Above middle and either below top of level or at middle of level (depending on number of marks available)
Consistently meets the criteria for this level	At top of level

11. Annotations

Stamp	Ref No.	Annotation Name	Description
✓ 1	1191	Tick 1	Level 1
√ 2	1201	Tick 2	Level 2
✓ 3	1211	Tick 3	Level 3
√ 4	1221	Tick 4	Level 4
✓ 5	1231	Tick 5	Level 5
SEEN	811	SEEN	Noted but no credit given
NAQ	501	NAQ	Not answered question
~~~	1371	H Wavy Line	Extendable horizontal wavy line
BP	1681	BP	Blank page
<u></u>	151	Highlight	Highlight

## 1. Subject-specific Marking Instructions

#### INTRODUCTION

Your first task as an Examiner is to become thoroughly familiar with the material on which the examination depends. This material includes:

- the specification, especially the assessment objectives
- the question paper and its rubrics
- the mark scheme.

You should ensure that you have copies of these materials.

Please ask for help or guidance whenever you need it. Your first point of contact is your Team Leader/PE.

#### INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR EXAMINERS

- 1 The practice and standardisation scripts provide you with *examples* of the standard of each band. The marks awarded for these scripts will have been agreed by the PE and Senior Examiners.
- 2 The specific task-related indicative content for each question will help you to understand how the band descriptors may be applied. However, this indicative content does not constitute the mark scheme: it is material that candidates might use, grouped according to each assessment objective tested by the question. It is hoped that candidates will respond to questions in a variety of ways. Rigid demands for 'what must be a good answer' would lead to a distorted assessment.
- 3 Candidates' answers must be relevant to the question. Beware of seemingly prepared answers that do not show the candidate's thought and which have not been adapted to the thrust of the question. Beware also of answers where candidates attempt to reproduce interpretations and concepts that they have been taught but have only partially understood.

# J410/07 Mark Scheme June 2023

# Spelling, punctuation and grammar and the use of specialist terminology (SPaG) mark scheme

High performance	Learners spell and punctuate with consistent accuracy
4–5 marks	<ul> <li>Learners use rules of grammar with effective control of meaning overall</li> <li>Learners use a wide range of specialist terms as appropriate</li> </ul>
Intermediate performance 2–3 marks	<ul> <li>Learners spell and punctuate with considerable accuracy</li> <li>Learners use rules of grammar with general control of meaning overall</li> <li>Learners use a good range of specialist terms as appropriate</li> </ul>
Threshold	Learners spell and punctuate with reasonable accuracy
performance	Learners use rules of grammar with some control of meaning and any errors do not significantly hinder
1 mark	<ul><li>meaning overall</li><li>Learners use a limited range of specialist terms as appropriate</li></ul>
No marks awarded	The learner writes nothing
0 marks	<ul> <li>The learner's response does not relate to the question</li> <li>The learner's achievement in SPaG does not reach the threshold performance level, for example errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar severely hinder meaning</li> </ul>

#### Awarding Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar and the use of specialist terminology to scripts with a scribe coversheet

- a. If a script has a **scribe cover sheet** it is vital to check which boxes are ticked and award as per the instructions and grid below:
- i. Assess the work for SPaG in accordance with the normal marking criteria. The initial assessment must be made as if the candidate had not used a scribe (or word processor) and was eligible for all the SPaG marks.
- ii. Check the cover sheet to see what has been dictated (or what facilities were disabled on the word processor) and therefore what proportion of marks is available to the candidate.
- iii. Convert the SPaG mark to reflect the correct proportion using the conversion table given below.

SPaG mark awarded	Mark if candidate eligible for one third (e.g. grammar only)	Mark if candidate eligible for two thirds (e.g. grammar and punctuation only)
0	0	0
1	0	1
2	1	1
3	1	2
4	1	3
5	2	3

- b. If a script has a **word processor cover sheet** attached to it the candidate **can** still access SPaG marks (see point a. above) unless the cover sheet states that the checking functionality is enabled, in which case no SPaG marks are available.
- c. If a script has a **word processor cover sheet AND** a **scribe cover sheet** attached to it, see point a. above.
- d. If you come across a typewritten script **without** a cover sheet please check with the OCR Special Requirements Team at who <a href="mailto:srteam@ocr.org.uk">srteam@ocr.org.uk</a> can check what access arrangements were agreed.
- e. If the script has a **transcript, Oral Language Modifier, Sign Language Interpreter or a Practical Assistant cover sheet**, award SPaG as normal.

## International Relations: the changing international order 1918-c.2001

1. Outline how the USA took action against the spread of communism around the world in the 1960s.

Assessment Objectives	AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. [5]
Additional Guidance	All content is indicative only and any other correct examples should also be credited.

Levels	Indicative content	Marks
Response demonstrates a range of detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding that is fully relevant to the question.  This is presented as a narrative that shows a clear understanding of the sequence or concurrence of events.	Level 3 answers will typically <b>develop in detail two examples</b> of US action against the spread of communism around the world in the 1960s  The USA took action in the 1960s by trying to remove the communist leader of Castro through the Bay of Pigs invasion (2). Although it failed, the US did not give up and tried many ways to assassinate Castro to overthrow his regime (3).  They also got involved in war in Vietnam to keep the Northern communists and vietcong from overthrowing the capitalist leaders of South Vietnam (4). They trained the army in the south and sent hundreds of thousands of their own ground troops to fight against the communists (5).  Nutshell: Develops TWO identification/example- rationale or actions  NB 4 marks if L2 example only gained 2 marks.	4–5
Level 2	Level 2 answers will typically <b>develop in detail one example</b> of US action against the spread of communism around the world in the 1960s.	2–3
Response demonstrates some accurate knowledge and understanding that is relevant to the question.  This is presented as a narrative that shows some understanding of the sequence or concurrence of events.	e.g. In the 1960s the USA began to take military action in <b>Vietnam</b> where they feared the communist North would take over the capitalist South (2). They did this using Operation Rolling Thunder, including dropping napalm and Agent Orange to reveal Vietcong bases.(3). <b>Nutshell: Develops ONE identification/example- rationale or actions</b> NB: Do not credit generic issues at this level (such as 'containment') unless linked to specific US actions in the 1960s.  NB: 2 identified examples about Cuba are possible: Bay of Pigs AND CMC	
Level 1  Response includes some knowledge that is relevant to the question.	Level 1 answers will typically <b>outline very simply one or more actions</b> or <b>arenas</b> of involvement in the 1960s e.g.  Got involved in Vietnam.  Launched the Bay of Pigs Put sanctions on Castro.  They put a naval blockade on Cuba.  They put a naval blockade on Cuba.  They took action against the spread of communism around the world in the 1960s by standing up to the communists  The USA followed the policy of containment  They used napalm.  USA put money into non-communist countries to encourage them to resist communism.	1
	Nutshell: SIMPLE identifications of arena or action.	

Levels	Indicative content	Marks
Level 0 No response or no response worthy of credit.	DO NOT CREDIT Marshall Plan, Berlin Blockade and Airlift, Berlin Wall.	0

## 2. Explain why there was tension in Europe in the 1930s.

Levels		Indicative content	Marks
Level 5	Response demonstrates a range of detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding that is fully relevant to the question.  This is used to develop a full explanation and thorough, convincing analysis, using second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.	Level 5 answers will typically identify two reasons for tension and explain them e.g.  Hitler came to power in the 1930s and took aggressive action to make Germany stronger. He left the League of Nations in 1934, reintroduced conscription in 1935, and in 1936 German troops marched into the Rhineland, which was forbidden under the terms of the Treaty of Versailles. This made France feel threatened as there were now German troops stationed on her border. (8 marks)  The League of Nations was weak in the 1930s and countries lost confidence in it. For example, in the Manchurian and Abyssinian invasions, the aggressive actions of dictators were not challenged. This encouraged Hitler to think that he could get away with more, which led to tensions with Britain and France when Hitler demanded the Sudetenland. (10 marks)  Nutshell: Explains how TWO issues cause tension.  NB: Lower mark for threshold answer.	9–10
Level 4	Response demonstrates a range of accurate knowledge and understanding that is fully relevant to the question.  This is used to develop a full explanation and analysis, using second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.	Level 4 answers will typically identify and explain why one reason caused tension e.g.  Hitler came to power in the 1930s and took aggressive action to make Germany stronger. He left the League of Nations in 1934, reintroduced conscription in 1935, and in 1936 German troops marched into the Rhineland, which was forbidden under the terms of the Treaty of Versailles. This made France feel threatened as there were now German troops stationed on her border (8 marks).  Nutshell: Explains how ONE issue causes tension NB: Lower mark for threshold answer.	7–8
Level 3	Response demonstrates accurate knowledge and understanding that is relevant to the question.	Level 3 answers will typically identify and describe one or more causes of tension but will not explain how they caused tension e.g.  Hitler came to power in the 1930s and took aggressive action to make Germany stronger. He left the League of Nations in 1934, reintroduced conscription in 1935, and in 1936 German troops marched into the Rhineland, which was forbidden under the terms of the Treaty of Versailles. (6 marks)	5–6

•	This is linked to an analysis and explanation, using second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.	Nutshell: Identify and describe causes of tension. 1 mark for each.	
Level 2		Level 2 answers will typically contain <b>description of events linked</b> to the tension in the 1930s e.g	3–4
•	Response demonstrates some knowledge and understanding that is relevant to the question.	Hitler left the League of Nations in 1934, reintroduced conscription in 1935, and in 1936 German troops marched into the Rhineland.  Alternative L2: Identifies reasons with no further development	
•	This is used to attempt a basic explanation, using second order	Hitler came to power and broke the Treaty of Versailles	
	historical concepts, of the issue in the question.	Appeasement encouraged Hitler.	
	'	Failure of the League encouraged Hitler.	
		Depression led to a breakdown in cooperation.	
		Treaty of Versailles led to Hitler's election.	
		Rhineland/ Sudetenland crisis	
		Rearmament/ Anschluss	
		Invasion of Poland	
		Hoare Laval Pact/ Spanish civil war/ Stresa Front	
		The fear of the spread of communism across Europe	
		Nutshell: Identified cause of tension. 1 mark for each.	
Level 1		Level 1 answers will typically assert general reasons e.g.	1–2
•	Response demonstrates basic	Dictators threatened peace.	
	knowledge that is relevant to the topic of the question.	Hitler came to power.	
_	<del>-</del>	Mussolini's actions.	
•	There is an attempt at a very basic explanation of the issue in the	Treaty of Versailles.	
	question, which may be close to assertion. Second order historical	Failure of League	
	concepts are not used explicitly, but some very basic understanding of these is apparent in the answer.	Manchurian/Abyssinian invasion	
		Great depression	
	and to apparent in the another	Appeasement	

	Hitler came to power	
	Nutshell: Generalised reasons	
Level 0  No response or no response worthy of		0
credit.		

3. Study Interpretation A. Do you think this is a fair comment on the British policy of appearsement? Use other interpretations of the events of 1937–1939 and your knowledge to support your answer.

Assessment Objectives	AO4 (a and d): Analyse, evaluate and make substantiated judgements about interpretations in the context of historical events studied. [20] AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. [5]
Additional Guidance	The 'Indicative content' is an example of historically valid content; any other historically valid content is acceptable and should be credited in line with the levels of response.
	The 'Indicative content' shown is not a full exemplar answer, but exemplifies the sophistication expected at each level.

Levels	Indicative content	Marks
The response has a full and thoroughly developed analysis and evaluation of the given interpretation and of other interpretations studied in order to make a convincing and substantiated judgement of the interpretations in the context of historical events studied to answer the question.  The response demonstrates a range of detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding that is fully relevant to the question.	Level 5 answers will typically argue that Interpretation A is fair/unfair supported by developed use of two other interpretations e.g.  A is praising Chamberlain and saying he has done a good job with appeasement and saved the country from war. Some historians would say this is unfair, for example those who support the popular political view. They would have criticised it, so I don't think Interpretation A is fair. A book was written during the war by a group calling themselves Cato, and they argued that appeasement was a foolish policy and that Chamberlain was a coward for giving in to Hitler's demands instead of standing up to him. Their view was that by appeasing Hitler at Munich Chamberlain actually encouraged him to make greater demands, and that Chamberlain should have been more aware of Hitler's ambitions, by reading Mein Kampf. (20)  I think Interpretation A could also be a fair comment, since revisionist historians also praised Chamberlain's actions. They argued that Britain was neither economically nor militarily powerful enough to stand against Hitler's Germany in 1938 and appeasement was the right policy in order to give Britain time to rearm fully to confront Germany at a later date. They would argue that Chamberlain's 'refusal to give in' at Munich bought Britain enough time to stand against Nazi Germany when war did come, which suggests that Interpretation A is fair. (25)  Nutshell: Developed use of 2 other interpretations to support / challenge Interpretation A.  NB: Answers at this level can be one-sided or balanced.	21–25
Level 4	Level 4 answers will typically argue that Interpretation A is fair/unfair supported by developed use of one	16–20

<ul> <li>The response has a developed analysis and evaluation of the given interpretation and of other interpretations studied in order to make a fully supported judgement of the interpretations in the context of historical events studied to answer the question.</li> <li>The response demonstrates a range of accurate knowledge and understanding that is fully relevant to the question.</li> </ul>	Other interpretation e.g.  A is praising Chamberlain and saying he has done a good job with appeasement and saved the country from war. Some historians would say this is unfair, for example those who support the popular political view. They would have criticised it, so I don't think Interpretation A is fair. A book was written during the war by a group calling themselves Cato, and they argued that appeasement was a foolish policy and that Chamberlain was a coward for giving in to Hitler's demands instead of standing up to him. (18)  Nutshell: Developed use of ONE interpretation to support / challenge Interpretation A.	
The response has some analysis and evaluation of the given interpretation and of other interpretations studied and uses this to make a partially supported judgement of the interpretations in the context of historical events studied to answer the question.  The response demonstrates accurate knowledge and understanding that is relevant to the question.	Level 3 answers will typically argue that Interpretation A is fair/unfair and support this with relevant factual knowledge.  The newspaper from the time is praising Chamberlain for avoiding war, and I think this is a fair comment based on what I know. After the terrible memories of the First World War and the impact of the Depression on Britain, the country neither wanted to fight nor had the capability to do it. People wanted to avoid the horrors of another war and this why when Chamberlain declared 'peace in our time' he was met on his return with cheering crowds and received thousands of letters praising what he had done. Because of this I'm not surprised at all by the newspaper's front page and think it's a fair comment (use of relevant factual knowledge).  Alternative Level 3 answers will typically argue that Interpretation A is fair/unfair and support this with undeveloped references to other interpretations to judge fairness e.g.  'A is praising Chamberlain. I don't think this is a fair comment because post revisionist historians would disagree and they criticised Chamberlain.'  Nutshell: Valid argument based on contextual knowledge OR valid but undeveloped use of interpretation(s)	11–15
The response has some analysis and evaluation of the given interpretation and limited evaluation of other interpretations studied, and links this to a judgement of the given interpretation in the context of historical events studied to answer the question.  The response demonstrates some knowledge and understanding that is relevant to the question.	Level 2 answers will typically correctly describe relevant interpretations without a valid argument on the question of fairness e.g.  The revisionist view would say this is fair. They argued that Britain was not ready for war and did not have a strong enough military. [does not tell us what A is saying which revisionists would disagree with]  Historians writing straight after the war were critical of Chamberlain. Cato set this off by saying that appeasement was a foolish and cowardly policy. Ones writing in the 1960s thought he did the best job he could have done. (No source/no fairness argument).  Nutshell: No or misunderstood A/ Shows knowledge of interpretations but fails to address question of fairness validly.	6–10
Level 1	Level 1 answers will typically demonstrate understanding of Interpretation A and/ OR offer undeveloped or unsupported assertions about fairness e.g.	1–5

•	The response has a basic analysis of the given interpretation and evaluates it in terms of the question. Other interpretations may be mentioned but there is no analysis or evaluation of them.	Interpretation A is praising appeasement. 'The Sketch' thinks Chamberlain was a great man.		
•	The response demonstrates basic knowledge that is relevant to the topic of the question.	This Interpretation is fair because I agree that Chamberlain refused to give in. This Interpretation is wrong. Chamberlain made a big mistake with appeasement (usually lots more contextual knowledge of events but not historians' views)  Nutshell: Shows understanding of A OR unsupported assertions about fairness.		
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No	esponse or no response worthy of credit.			

4. Study Interpretation B. Explain why **not** all historians and commentators have agreed with this interpretation. Use other interpretations and your knowledge to support your answer.

Assessment Objectives	AO4 (a, b and c): Analyse individual interpretations and how and why interpretations differ. [10] AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. [5] AO2: Explain and analyse historical events and periods studied using second order historical concepts. [5]
Additional Guidance	The 'Indicative content' is an example of historically valid content; any other historically valid content is acceptable and should be credited in line with the levels of response.  The 'Indicative content' shown is not a full exemplar answer, but exemplifies the sophistication expected at each level

Levels	Indicative content	Marks
<ul> <li>The response analyses the given interpretation, and compares and contrasts a range of aspects of the given interpretation with aspects of other interpretations studied, to produce a thorough, detailed analysis of how the interpretations differ.</li> <li>There is a fully supported and convincing analysis of why the given interpretation and other interpretations differ, explained in terms of when the interpretations were created and their place within the wider historical debate.</li> <li>Response demonstrates a range of detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding that is fully relevant to the question.</li> <li>This is used to develop a full explanation and thorough, convincing analysis, using second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.</li> </ul>	Level 5 answers will typically provide developed explanations of how historian(s) or commentator(s) from two periods have disagreed with particular aspect(s) of Interpretation B and explain why at least one of them disagrees, e.g.  In Interpretation B, Gaddis is arguing that the United States and the Soviet Union were responsible for the beginnings of the Cold War because the things that drove them were so different they were bound to clash. The two sides misunderstood each other.  Orthodox historians would have disagreed with Gaddis. Writing in the 1940s and 1950s, they argued that the USSR was responsible for the Cold War because of their aggressive attempts to expand Communism across Eastern Europe after the Second World War. Bailey argued that the USA wanted world revolution.  These historians were influenced by fear of persecution during the 'Red Scare' of that time, and were anxious to avoid being victimised at the hands of men like McCarthy, so wrote their accounts in such a way as to follow the anti-Soviet position of the American government. This 'self-censorship' was typical of many American historians of the time. (HOW and WHY)  Another group of historians that would have disagreed with Gaddis were those writing in the 1960s. Many of these — including American historians — believed that the USA should shoulder the sole responsibility for the Cold War because of their aggressive attempts to control Europe through economic domination, such as the Marshall Plan. They wrote at the time of the Vietnam war. (HOW)  Nutshell: Valid explanation of how views from two periods disagree, with explanation as to why at least one of these disagrees, eg HW H	17–20

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<ul> <li>Level 4</li> <li>The response analyses the given interpretation, and compares and contrasts some aspects of the given interpretation with aspects of other interpretations studied, to produce an analysis of how the interpretations differ.</li> <li>There is a supported analysis of why the given interpretation and other interpretations differ, explained in terms of when the interpretations were created and their place within the wider historical debate.</li> <li>Response demonstrates a range of accurate knowledge and understanding that is fully relevant to the question.</li> <li>This is used to develop a full explanation and analysis, using second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.</li> </ul>	Level 4 answers will explain how or why historians from two different periods agree or disagree with particular aspect(s) of interpretation B.  OR will explain how and why historians from the same period agree or disagree.  Gaddis argued that the USA and USSR bear joint responsibility for the Cold War because their attitudes were so different they were bound to clash. Historians writing at the start of the Cold War especially ones from the United States itself – would have disagreed and argued that the USSR's aggressive actions in Eastern Europe (rigging elections and other methods to ensure communist governments dominated) were the cause and that American actions were a response to that (HOW) On the other hand, many historians writing after the fall of the Soviet Union would agree with Gaddis. When the Cold War ended, western historians gained access to many Soviet sources for the first time, and found evidence among these sources that suggested either superpower could be held responsible for the conflict (Stalin acted provocatively and the USA overreacted), and so argued that both were to blame. (WHY)  OR  Gaddis says that 'both' Russia and America were responsible for starting the Cold War. One group of historians that would have disagreed with Gaddis were those writing in the 1960s. Many of these – including American historians – believed that the USA should shoulder the sole responsibility for the Cold War because of their aggressive attempts to control Europe through economic domination, such as the Marshall Plan. They based this understanding on looking at how the USA was acting In Vietnam in the 1950s and 60s, where the USA used a very aggressive approach to contain communism. (HOW and WHY)  Nutshell: 2H different periods or 2W different periods or H+W same period or H+W different periods	13–16
The response analyses the given interpretation, and compares and contrasts a few aspects of the	<b>Level 3</b> answers will typically explain <b>how</b> historian(s) and commentator(s) <b>from one period</b> disagree with particular aspect(s) of Interpretation B	9–12
given interpretation with aspects of other interpretations studied, to produce a partial analysis of how the interpretations differ.  There is some analysis of why the given interpretation and other interpretations differ,	OR will explain valid reasons why historians from one period disagrees e.g.  Gaddis says that 'both' Russia and America were responsible for starting the Cold War. American historians writing in the early years of the Cold War would have disagreed with him. These orthodox historians would have argued that the USSR was responsible for the Cold War because of	
explained in terms of when the interpretations were created and their place within the wider historical debate.	their aggressive attempts to expand Communism across Europe after the Second World War, by rigging elections and other methods to ensure communist governments dominated. (HOW-11 marks)	
Response demonstrates accurate knowledge and	OR	
<ul> <li>understanding that is relevant to the question.</li> <li>This is linked to an analysis and explanation, using second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.</li> </ul>	Historians writing in the USSR would not have accepted Gaddis' view as he blames the USSR as well as USA. This was because there was no freedom of speech in the USSR during the Cold War and historians who criticised the USSR's actions would have been punished by the government, so	

	they were bound to blame the US for the Cold War. Many would also have been affected by the general mood of anti-US feeling in the USSR. (WHY- 12 marks)  Nutshell: Explains How or Why one group disagrees.	
Level 2	Level 2 answers will typically identify historian(s) who have disagreed with Interpretation B but fail to	5-8
	explain how or why	
The response analyses the given interpretation, and compares and contrasts a few aspects of the given interpretation with aspects of at least one other interpretation studied, to show how the interpretations differ.  There is a basic contraction of why the given.	I don't think orthodox historians would have agreed with what Gaddis says in Interpretation B.  Revisionists would not have agreed either.	
<ul> <li>There is a basic explanation of why the given interpretation and the other interpretation(s) differ, explained in terms of when the interpretations were created and their place within the wider historical debate.</li> </ul>	Alternative Level 2 will provide an overview of the historiography but not examine interpretation B, or misunderstand it e.g	
<ul> <li>Response demonstrates some knowledge and understanding that is relevant to the question.</li> <li>This is used to attempt a basic explanation, using</li> </ul>	Blame for starting the Cold War has changed over time. At the start of it, the orthodox view was that the USSR was responsible. Later, revisionist historians blamed the USA and then even later on there were post-revisionists who blamed both countries.	
second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.	Nutshell: Identifies historians / schools of thought / periods but fails to address Interpretation B correctly	
	NOTE: The term 'many historians' or similar expressions is usually not sufficient for L2 as its too unspecific- a time period, school of thought or a named historian needed UNLESS it is clear from what the candidate says that that they are describing a specific school of thought. However, if the candidate correctly describes a school of thought but mislabels/offers an incorrect time period then this level is possible if the description is strong enough, although a lower mark within the level would be more likely.	
Level 1	Level 1 answers will typically make <b>general assertions</b> about Interpretation B or <b>give their own</b>	1-4
<ul> <li>The response compares the candidate's own knowledge and understanding to the interpretation, or uses knowledge and understanding of the time in which it was created, to analyse the given interpretation.</li> <li>There is no consideration or no relevant consideration of any other interpretations.</li> </ul>	Critique of it e.g.  Gaddis is blaming both  I disagree because I think the USSR was to blame for the Cold War.  Other historians blamed one of the two countries for starting the Cold War, not both.  I disagree because the USSR alone was to blame. In Berlin Stalin blocked off the land routes. That was a	
Response demonstrates basic knowledge that is relevant to the topic of the question.	terrible thing to do. People could have starved.	
<ul> <li>There is an attempt at a very basic explanation of the issue in the question, which may be close to assertion.</li> <li>Second order historical concepts are not used explicitly, but some very basic understanding of these is apparent.</li> </ul>	Nutshell: General assertions/own critique  NOTE: Award at this level if candidates give their own critique of B (i.e. not the views of other historians). This may well be phrased as 'other historians' but is in fact the candidate's own view using contextual knowledge.	
Level 0		0
No response or no response worthy of credit.		

# Section B The USA 1945–1974: The People and the State

5. Describe **one** example of an action taken by a US President to support African Americans in the campaign for civil rights between 1954 and 1964.

<b>Assessment Objectives</b>	AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. [2]
Additional Guidance	All content is indicative only and any other correct examples of actions by US Presidents in the campaign for African American civil
	rights between 1954 and 1964 should also be credited. 2 egs or one eg explained= 2 marks

Indicative content	Marks
One example of an action by a US President is the passing of the Civil Rights Act in 1964 (1), under Kennedy and then Johnson [+1].	2
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OR	
President Eisenhower stepped in to force a school to desegregate and accept African American students in Little Rock, Arkansas in 1957 [1]. He sent 1,000 federal troops [+1] and took the 10,000 state troops under federal control [+1] to protect the students and safely escort them into school [+1].	
Other possibilities include:	
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<ul> <li>Kennedy pressured the governor of Alabama to protect the Freedom riders in 1961.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Kennedy supported activists who had been arrested in the Birmingham civil</li> </ul>	
rights march in 1963. He forced the governor to release them from prison.	
NB: Does not need the President specifically, if outlines accurate event from	
	One example of an action by a US President is the passing of the Civil Rights Act in 1964 (1), under Kennedy and then Johnson [+1].  One example of an action by a US President is the passing of the Civil Rights Act in 1964 (1), This Act banned segregation [+1].  OR  President Eisenhower stepped in to force a school to desegregate and accept African American students in Little Rock, Arkansas in 1957 [1]. He sent 1,000 federal troops [+1] and took the 10,000 state troops under federal control [+1] to protect the students and safely escort them into school [+1].  Other possibilities include:  In 1957 and 1960 Eisenhower passed a Civil Rights Act  Kennedy pressured the governor of Alabama to protect the Freedom riders in 1961.  Kennedy supported activists who had been arrested in the Birmingham civil rights march in 1963. He forced the governor to release them from prison.

Levels	Indicative content	Marks
	president alone without an event	
	NB The date range offered does not include actions AFTER 1964, for example the Voting Rights law of 1965.	

6. Explain the impact of the feminist movement between c.1964 and 1974.

Assessment Objectives	AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. [5] AO2: Explain and analyse historical events and periods studied using second order historical concepts. [5]
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Additional Guidance	The 'Indicative content' is an example of historically valid content; any other historically valid content is acceptable and should be credited in line with the levels of response.
	The 'Indicative content' shown is not a full exemplar answer, but exemplifies the sophistication expected at each level.
	No reward can be given for wider knowledge of the period that remains unrelated to the topic in the question.

Levels	Indicative content	Marks
Level 5	Level 5 answers will typically identify at least <b>two impacts</b> of the feminist movement and <b>explain two fully</b> .	9–10
<ul> <li>Response demonstrates a range of detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding that is fully relevant to the question.</li> </ul>	Firstly, the feminist movement helped to bring Equal Pay. For example, Eleanor Roosevelt was involved in the Status Commission which reported that women were mainly in low-paid jobs. As a result, Kennedy signed the Equal Pay Act into law in 1963, which made it illegal to pay people different rates for doing the same job.	
<ul> <li>This is used to develop a full explanation and thorough, convincing analysis, using second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.</li> </ul>	Secondly, the feminist movement increased awareness of gender inequality. Betty Friedan and other feminists set up NOW which used protests to draw attention to issues such as discrimination in the workplace. By 1972 the feminist movement had been successful in getting the Equal Rights Amendment to the Constitution passed by Congress.	
Level 4	Level 4 answers will typically identify <b>one impact</b> of the feminist movement and <b>explain it fully</b> .	7–8
<ul> <li>Response demonstrates a range of accurate knowledge and understanding that is fully relevant to the question.</li> </ul>	The feminist movement helped to bring Equal Pay. For example, Eleanor Roosevelt was involved in the Status Commission which reported that women were mainly in low-paid jobs. As a result, Kennedy signed the Equal Pay Act into law in 1963, which made it illegal to pay people different rates for doing the same job.	
This is used to develop a full explanation and analysis, using second order	OR	
historical concepts, of the issue in the question.	The feminist movement increased awareness of gender inequality. In 1966, Betty Friedan and other feminists set up NOW, which had 40,000 members by the early 1970s. They used protest marches, strikes, petitions and court action to draw attention to issues such as discrimination in the workplace. This helped to raise the profile of women's inequality.	
Level 3	Level 3 answers will typically identify and describe impact(s) without explaining them e.g.	5–6

<ul> <li>Response demonstrates accurate knowledge and understanding that is relevant to the question.</li> <li>This is linked to an analysis and explanation, using second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.</li> <li>Level 2</li> <li>Response demonstrates some knowledge and understanding that is relevant to the question.</li> <li>This is used to attempt a basic explanation, using second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>NOW organised a Women's Strike for Equality in 1970 and 50,000 people attended.</li> <li>The Equal Pay Act was passed in 1963.</li> <li>The ERA was passed by Congress.</li> <li>There was a backlash against the women's liberation movement by people like Phyllis Schlafly.</li> <li>The proportion of women in the workplace increased.</li> <li>Abortion was legalised after Roe vs Wade.</li> <li>NOW organised a Women's Strike for Equality.</li> <li>In 1968, feminists protested at the Miss World beauty contest.</li> <li>Phyllis Schlafly started the STOP ERA campaign against the feminist movement.</li> <li>Level 2 answers will typically contain description of events linked to the feminist movement, e.g.</li> <li>\$30m of underpay was given to women</li> <li>Women were only paid 50-60% of men's wages so took to supreme court</li> <li>Alternative Level 2- IDs only</li> <li>The Equal Pay Act was passed in 1963.</li> <li>The ERA was passed by Congress.</li> <li>There was a backlash against the women's liberation movement by people like Phyllis Schlafly.</li> <li>The proportion of women in the workplace increased.</li> <li>Abortion was legalised after Roe vs Wade.</li> <li>NOW organised a Women's Strike for Equality.</li> <li>In 1968, feminists protested at the Miss World beauty contest.</li> <li>Phyllis Schlafly started the STOP ERA campaign against the feminist movement.</li> <li>Alternatively, candidates may consider: NOW's impact on securing backpag for women who had not been paid equal wages to men; the role of the women's liberation movement in ralsing consciousness; the backlash</li> </ul>	3–4
	against / negative media coverage of women's liberation groups; the Roe vs Wade ruling on abortion; the opposition to the ERA by Phyllis Schlafly and others; changes in employment patterns.]	
Level 1	Level 1 answers will typically contain <b>general points or assertions</b> about the feminist movement.	1–2
Response demonstrates basic knowledge that is relevant to the topic of the question.	The feminist movement wanted equality for women.	
There is an attempt at a very basic	People joined NOW	
explanation of the issue in the question, which may be close to assertion. Second	Women weren't happy with their lives	

order historical concepts are not used explicitly, but some very basic understanding of these is apparent in the answer.	
Level 0	0
No response or no response worthy of credit.	

# 7a. Study Source A. Why was this film broadcast in 1948?

Assessment Objectives	AO3 (a): Analyse sources contemporary to the period. [5]
Additional Guidance	No marks must be awarded for demonstration of knowledge and/or understanding in isolation, knowledge and understanding can only be credited where it is clearly and intrinsically linked to analysis of the source.
	The 'Indicative content' is an example of historically valid content; any other historically valid content is acceptable and should be credited in line with the levels of response.
	The 'Indicative content' shown is not a full exemplar answer, but exemplifies the sophistication expected at each level.

Levels	Indicative content	Marks
Response analyses the source by using relevant detail from the source content, provenance and historical context to construct a thorough and convincing argument in answer to the specific question about the source.	Level 3 answers will typically make a clear statement of <b>purpose</b> based on intended outcome and support this with reference to <b>content of the source and context</b> , e.g.  This source was broadcast to persuade Americans to support capitalism and reject communism. The film reminds Americans of the positive things in America such as 'freedom of speech' and 'prosperity'. It warns people of the dangers of 'other systems', such as 'no private property'. The film was broadcast at this time, during the Red Scare, because many Americans businesses were fearful of communist sympathies developing as they were scared that the American values of capitalism and democracy were under threat and must be protected. They wanted to prevent communist ideas spreading.	4–5
Response analyses the source by using relevant detail from the source content and provenance or historical context to construct a supported argument in answer to the question about the source.	Level 2 answers will typically identify and explain the <b>message</b> of the source using relevant <b>source content and/or context</b> e.g.  This source was broadcast to highlight the positive values of capitalism in America and show that it was superior to communism. The film reminds Americans of the positive things in America such as 'freedom of speech' and 'prosperity'. It tells people about the problems of 'other systems', such as 'no private property. So it is warning people about the dangers of communism or people who were communist. <b>Alternative L2- Gains Source Purpose only</b> This film was broadcast to persuade Americans to support capitalism and reject communism (2) <b>Purpose with content or context</b> (3)	2–3

Response analyses the source in a basic way by selecting detail from the source content or provenance and using this to give a simple answer to the question about the source.	Level 1 answers will typically argue the source was meant to provide information e.g.  It was broadcast to tell people about American capitalism.  OR  It was published to tell people that America sends more people to school and university than any other country.  Alternative L1- Source Message only  This film was broadcast to show the positive values of capitalism and that it was superior to communism	1
Level 0		0
No response or no response worthy of credit.		

7b. Study Source B. Explain **how this source is useful** to a historian studying the Red Scare.

Assessment Objectives	AO3 (a): Analyse sources contemporary to the period. [5]
Additional Guidance	No marks must be awarded for demonstration of knowledge and/or understanding in isolation, knowledge and understanding can only be credited where it is clearly and intrinsically linked to analysis of the source.
	The 'Indicative content' is an example of historically valid content; any other historically valid content is acceptable and should be credited in line with the levels of response.
	The 'Indicative content' shown is not a full exemplar answer, but exemplifies the sophistication expected at each level.

Levels	Indicative content	Marks
Response analyses the source by using relevant detail from the source content, provenance and historical context to construct a thorough and convincing argument in answer to the question about the source.	Level 3 answers will typically argue that the source is useful and support this with a valid and relevant inference from the source developed with effective use of content, provenance or context to support the inference e.g.  This source is very useful for revealing how the Red Scare affected all aspects of American society and culture at the time. In the source we can see that the comic book superhero is described as a 'Commie Smasher' and the villains are shown with the hammer and sickle symbols. So this shows that the anti-communist hysteria had spread even into Marvel comics.  [Alternatively, candidates may argue the source is useful because of its nature as a popular comic – therefore evidence that anti-communist feeling will resonate with audience; that it is useful for revealing support that the US government / McCarthy had from American businesses/ organisations/ culture; that it is useful for showing methods used to spread anti-communist ideas; that it is useful for showing the strength of anti-communist feeling even by 1954, despite McCarthy's decline by this point.]	4–5
Response analyses the source by using relevant detail from the source content and provenance or historical context to construct a supported argument in answer to the question about the source.	Level 2 answers will typically argue the source is useful or not based on reliability or unsupported inferences, e.g.  The source is useful because it's reliable. It shows America being really anti-communist and that's exactly how society was. For example, McCarthy was very powerful and he managed to get many Hollywood actors and university lecturers blacklisted and fired.  OR  This source is useful because it shows us the kind of anti-communist propaganda which was around at the time of the Red Scare.  NB: An answer that argues the source is not useful is limited to L2/2 marks	2–3

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Level 1	Level 1 answers will typically assert the usefulness of the content or provenance, or give relevant	1
<ul> <li>Response analyses the source in a very basic way by selecting detail from the source content or provenance and using this to give a simple answer to the question about the source.</li> </ul>	Contextual knowledge only, e.g.  The source is not useful because it's only a children's comic and so not really about real events.  OR  This source is useful because it tells us that Captain America was given the nickname 'Commie Smasher'.	
	Basic CK about red scare but no accurate application of utility to the source	
Level 0 No response or no response worthy of credit.		0

8.* 'In the struggle for civil rights for African Americans between 1954 and 1964, Supreme Court victories achieved more than protests.' How far do you agree?

Assessment Objectives	AO2: Explain and analyse historical events and periods studied using second-order historical concepts. [10]
	AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. [8]
Additional Guidance	The 'Indicative content' is an example of historically valid content; any other historically valid content is acceptable and should be credited in line with the levels of response.  The 'Indicative content' shown is not a full exemplar answer, but exemplifies the sophistication expected at each level.
	No reward can be given for wider knowledge of the period that remains unrelated to the topic in the question.

The response has a full explanation and thorough analysis of historical events/periods, which uses relevant second order historical concepts, and is developed to reach a convincing, substantiated conclusion in response to the question.  It is examinated to make the first of the modern to the first of the modern to the first of the modern to the first of	Level 5 answers will typically construct a <b>balanced and well-supported argument</b> which uses a lange of supporting evidence to support the argument being made, e.g. It is true that the victories in the Supreme Court achieved a great deal in the struggle for African American civil rights. For example, the Brown vs Topeka victory in 1954 was very important. Previously, states claimed that schools for black and white children could be 'separate but equal'. But the court ruled that they were not equal because they created a feeling of inferiority for black students. This was a great achievement because the ruling effectively made it illegal for US states to have segregated schooling. Civil rights campaigners also show in the Supreme Court in 1955 during the	15–18
and understanding that is fully relevant to the question.  • There is a well-developed and sustained line of reasoning which is coherent, relevant and logically structured.  • Caudes ach teel The t	Montgomery Bus Boycott when lawyers fought for Rosa Parks in the Browder versus Gayle case. The Court declared Montgomery's bus laws to be illegal under the Fourteenth Amendment. This was an important achievement because it meant that all similar bus services were illegal and that all segregation of public services was illegal.  However, protests also achieved a great deal in this period. For example, in 1960, in Greensboro, students began a rampaign to end segregation in restaurants. They staged 'sit-ins' in their local Woolworths which had a segregated lunch rounter. Over the next few months, up to 50,000 people joined in sit-ins across 68 cities. As a result of the financial strain raused by the sit-ins, many public places desegregated. By the end of 1961, 810 towns and cities had entirely desegregated public areas, which was a great achievement. Another example of a protest which led to an important achievement is the SCLC's Birmingham campaign, led by Martin Luther King. As part of this, the SCLC recruited been actions gave the movement the publicity they were after and also persuaded President Kennedy to push forward the Civil Rights Bill he had already started to draft. As the Act banned discrimination, this was an important achievement.  On balance I think that although the Supreme Court victories were an important foundation, ultimately it was the protests which led to the practical changes. The Supreme Court rulings led to changes in the law, but it was the protests that required businesses and organisations to comply with the law by applying financial pressure and the place of the media.	
16-	IB: 18 marks = As below plus a clinching argument 6-17 marks = 4 explained points (3-1 or 2-2) 5 marks = 3 explained points (2-1)	

Level 4	Level 4 answers will typically construct a <b>balanced or one-sided argument</b> with support from at least <b>two valid explained points</b> e.g.	11–14
<ul> <li>The response has a full explanation and analysis of the historical events/periods, which uses relevant second order historical concepts, and is used to develop a fully supported answer to the question.</li> </ul>	It is true that the victories in the Supreme Court achieved a great deal in the struggle for African American civil rights. For example, the Brown vs Topeka victory in 1954 was very important. Previously, states claimed that schools for black and white children could be 'separate but equal'. But the court ruled that they were not equal because they created a feeling of inferiority for black students. This was a great achievement because the ruling effectively made it illegal for US states to have segregated schooling.	
This is supported by a range of accurate knowledge and understanding that is fully relevant to the question.	However, protests also achieved a great deal in this period. For example, in 1960, in Greensboro, students began a campaign to end segregation in restaurants. They staged 'sit-ins' in their local Woolworths which had a segregated lunch counter. Over the next few months, up to 50,000 people joined in sit-ins across 68 cities. As a result of the financial strain caused by the sit-ins, many public places desegregated. By the end of 1961, 810 towns and cities had entirely desegregated public areas, which was a great achievement	
There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear, relevant and logically structured.	Reserve 14 marks for clinching argument; 12 marks is standard and one mark for additional development of either point.	
Level 3	Level 3 answers will typically construct a <b>one-sided argument with support from one valid explained point</b> e.g.	7–10
The response has an analysis and explanation of the historical events/period, which uses relevant second order historical concepts, and is used to give a supported answer to the question.	It is true that the victories in the Supreme Court achieved a great deal in the struggle for African American civil rights. For example, the Brown vs Topeka victory in 1954 was very important. Previously, states claimed that schools for black and white children could be 'separate but equal'. But the court ruled that they were not equal because they created a feeling of inferiority for black students. This was a great achievement because the ruling effectively made it illegal for US states to have segregated schooling.	
This is supported by accurate knowledge and understanding that is relevant to the question.		
There is a line of reasoning presented which is mostly relevant and which has some structure.		

Level 2	Level 2 answers will typically identify achievements and/or describe Supreme Court victories/ protests e.g.	4–6
<ul> <li>The response has an explanation about the historical events/period, which uses relevant second order historical concepts, and gives an answer to the question set.</li> </ul>	In 1955–56 there was the Montgomery Bus Boycott, which started when Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat for a white person. The MIA was formed and for over a year African Americans refused to use the buses. Instead, they walked or organised car pools.  OR	
<ul> <li>This is supported by some knowledge and understanding that is relevant to the question.</li> </ul>	The Civil Rights Act of 1964 was a great achievement because it made discrimination illegal.  OR	
There is a line of reasoning which has some relevance and which is presented with limited structure.	The Freedom Rides took place in 1961 and were organised by CORE. A group of white and African Americans tested the Supreme Court ruling that said that inter-state transport should be desegregated by travelling on inter-state transport. One of their buses was fire bombed in Anniston.  OR  The Brown vs Topeka Supreme Court ruling led to segregation in education being declared illegal.	
Level 1	Level 1 answers will typically make <b>general</b> assertions e.g.	1–3
<ul> <li>The response has a basic explanation about the historical events/period in the question, though the specific question may be answered only partially or the answer may be in the form of assertion that is not supported by the preceding explanation. Second order historical concepts are not used explicitly, but some very basic understanding of these is apparent in the answer.</li> <li>There is basic knowledge that is relevant to the topic of the question.</li> </ul>	The Supreme Court rulings changed laws to do with segregation.  OR  The protests led to important achievements because they attracted media attention.	

The information is communicated in a basic/unstructured way.	
Level 0	0
No response or no response worthy	
of credit.	

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