



**GCE**

**History A**

**Y222/01: The Cold War in Asia 1945-1993**

Advanced GCE

**Mark Scheme for June 2019**

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1. Here is the mark scheme for this question paper.

**MARK SCHEME Section A**

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1 (a)	<p><b>Which of the following was of greater importance in prolonging the Korean War beyond December 1950?</b>  <b>(i) divisions within the Western alliance</b>  <b>(ii) the intervention of the Chinese</b>  <b>Explain your answer with reference to both (i) <u>and</u> (ii).</b></p> <p><b>In dealing with divisions within the Western alliance,</b> answers might consider the composition of Western forces (US/UN/ROK) and the problem of co-ordination.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Answers might explain how the US controlled the alliance (the number of US troops, air, ground and naval power, the alliance was led by an American answerable to Truman).</li> <li>• Answers might consider differences on strategy eg over Inchon Landing and the advance beyond the 38<sup>th</sup> parallel.</li> <li>• Answers might consider divisions in the war aims of the alliance: initially united in restoring the status quo but later divided on reunifying the country.</li> <li>• Answers might consider the friction caused over the possible use of atomic weapons.</li> <li>• Answers might develop this to explain the differences within the US between Truman and MacArthur.</li> <li>• Answers might consider the reservations of the French, more concerned about the impact of the war on their position in Indo-China.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>In dealing with the intervention of the Chinese,</b> answers might they checked the advance of the alliance to the Yalu River.</li> <li>• Answers might argue that they forced the alliance to</li> </ul>	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No set answer is expected.</li> <li>• Judgement must be supported by relevant and accurate material.</li> <li>• Only credit material relevant to the question.</li> <li>• Answers may deal with each factor in turn, then compare them to reach a judgement, or may take a continually comparative approach. Either approach is acceptable.</li> <li>• Knowledge must not be credited in isolation; it should only be credited where it is used as the basis for analysis and evaluation, in line with descriptions in the levels mark scheme.</li> </ul>

	<p>retreat and adopt a defensive strategy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Answers might consider the strength of the Chinese forces (number and toughness of their troops).</li> <li>• Answers might consider the successes of the Chinese in defeating the alliance in key engagements such as Kunu-ri and Chosin Reservoir.</li> <li>• Answers might explain that both sides accepted that a stalemate had been reached by the end of 1950 and were resigned to a war of attrition.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>1 (b)*</b></p>	<p><b>To what extent did Nixon achieve ‘peace with honour’ in Vietnam?</b></p> <p><b>In arguing that Nixon achieved ‘peace with honour’,</b> answers might point out that Nixon had promised to make peace in Vietnam in the campaign of 1968 and, by 1973, that had been achieved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Answers might explain that in 1968 the Tet Offensive effectively changed the views of US policy makers who agreed that the US had to withdraw which Nixon implemented.</li> <li>• Answers might argue that US forces, 1969-73, retained its reputation for military strength as demonstrated with their airpower and in checking the communist offensive of 1972.</li> <li>• Answers might explain that the US maintained the government of President Thieu in the South.</li> <li>• Answers might discuss the diplomacy of Kissinger including the overtures to China (Nixon visit 1972) and the Paris Peace talks.</li> <li>• Answers might argue that Nixon was severely limited in what he could do: alternative options such as nuclear war and an invasion of the North were dangerous).</li> <li>• <b>In arguing the Nixon did not achieve peace with honour,</b> answers might discuss the prolonged time taken to secure peace in 1973 having stated in 1968 he wanted</li> </ul>	<p><b>20</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No set answer is expected.</li> <li>• At higher levels, candidates will focus on ‘to what extent’ but at Level 4 may simply list factors.</li> <li>• At Level 5 and above, there will be judgements as to the nature of the peace.</li> <li>• At higher levels, candidates might establish criteria against which to judge the peace.</li> <li>• To be valid judgements, claims must be supported by relevant and accurate material. If not, they are assertions.</li> <li>• Knowledge must not be credited in isolation; it should only be credited where it is used to analyse and evaluate the sources, in line with descriptions in the levels mark scheme.</li> </ul>

	<p>to end the war fast.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Answers might consider the price in death and destruction of his conduct of the war (especially the bombing raids).</li> <li>Answers might argue that the conduct of the war increased opposition at home as anti-war protests intensified.</li> <li>Answers might explain that the war was escalated by Nixon's invasion of Cambodia in support of Lon Nol.</li> <li>Answers might argue that the communist takeover of South Vietnam in 1975 undermined the peace of 1973.</li> </ul>		
2 (a)	<p><b>Which of the following was of greater importance as a reason for the civil war in Cambodia, 1967-1970?</b></p> <p><b>i) the Sihanouk regime</b>  <b>ii) the communists in Cambodia</b></p> <p><b>Explain your answer with reference to both (i) <u>and</u> (ii).</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>In dealing with the Sihanouk regime</b>, answers might consider the time he was out of the country (often in France).</li> <li>Answers might emphasise his failure to improve the lot of the poorest or to offer opportunity to the brightest.</li> <li>Answers might explain the extent of corruption.</li> <li>Answers might argue that repression of opponents especially the Communists was counter-productive.</li> <li>Answers might assess the elections of 1966.</li> <li>Answers might discuss the effects of Sihanouk's ties with the US.</li> <li><b>In dealing with the communists in Cambodia</b>, answers might consider the increasing influence of Pol Pot within the Cambodian communist movement.</li> <li>Answers might consider the influx of large numbers of communists from Vietnam into Cambodia to avoid US forces operating a 'search and destroy' strategy.</li> </ul>	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No set answer is expected.</li> <li>Judgement must be supported by relevant and accurate material.</li> <li>Only credit material relevant to the question.</li> <li>Answers may deal with each factor in turn, then compare them to reach a judgement, or may take a continually comparative approach. Either approach is acceptable.</li> <li>Knowledge must not be credited in isolation; it should only be credited where it is used as the basis for analysis and evaluation, in line with descriptions in the levels mark scheme.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Answers might assess consider the impact of the Ho Chi Minh trail through Cambodia used by the North Vietnamese.</li> <li>Answers might discuss the role and influence of China in backing the Khmer Rouge.</li> <li>Answers might argue that it was the communists who led the rebellion against Sihanouk in 1967.</li> <li>Answers might consider the limited support enjoyed by Cambodian communists.</li> </ul>		
2 (b)*	<p><b>‘The successful containment of communism in Malaya was due to the policies of the British government.’ How far do you agree?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>In arguing that British policies were important,</b> answers might emphasis the strength of British forces: the British outnumbered the communists by at least 10 to 1.</li> <li>Answers might explain that the British offered economic and political concessions to moderate Chinese.</li> <li>Answers might discuss the resettlement of Chinese squatters.</li> <li>Answers might explain how the British deported some Chinese to China.</li> <li>Answers might discuss the introduction of ‘strategic hamlets’.</li> <li>Answers might assess the appeal of British commitment to independence won ‘hearts and minds’.</li> <li>Answers might argue that the British deployed successful counter-insurgency techniques.</li> <li><b>In arguing that there were other factors,</b> answers might discuss the divisions between the Chinese: the MCP lacked widespread support. The Malayan Chinese Association, which backed a multi-racial Malaya, offered an alternative.</li> <li>Answers might argue that the MCP was divided over</li> </ul>	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No set answer is expected.</li> <li>At higher levels, candidates will focus on ‘how far?’ but at Level 4 may simply list factors.</li> <li>At Level 5 and above, there will be judgements as to the relative importance of British policy compared to other factors.</li> <li>At higher levels, candidates might establish criteria against which to judge the claim that British policy was the key factor.</li> <li>To be valid judgements, claims must be supported by relevant and accurate material. If not, they are assertions.</li> <li>Knowledge must not be credited in isolation; it should only be credited where it is used to analyse and evaluate the sources, in line with descriptions in the levels mark scheme.</li> </ul>

	<p>leadership and ideology.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Answers might point out that the Korean War which generated an increase in demand for rubber and tin led to an economic boom in Malaya.</li><li>• Answers might discuss the support of the Malays for Britain (c.44% of the population).</li><li>• Answers might argue that identification of the enemy was easy due to physical appearance.</li><li>• Answers might stress how the MCP lacked outside support from China or the USSR.</li><li>• Answers might argue that from 1949 the MCP's only sanctuary was in Thailand was far from the areas of heaviest population and resort to it was a sign of retreat/defeat.</li></ul>		
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