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History

Unit 2:

The Cold War 1945–1991



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WEDNESDAY 16 JANUARY, AFTERNOON

TIME

1 hour 15 minutes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.

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Complete in black ink only. **Do not write with a gel pen.**

Answer **two** questions.

Answer **all** of Section A and **one** question from Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 55.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in Section A

Question **1(c)** and **1(d)** and in Section B.

Spelling, punctuation and the accurate use of grammar will be assessed in Section B.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

A Resource Booklet referring to Question 1 accompanies this paper.

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For Question 1 refer to the source material in the Resource Booklet.

Section A

Answer **all** of this section.

- 1 This question is about the superpowers and the city of Berlin between 1950 and 1989.

(a) Study Source A.

Give **two** reasons from **Source A** to explain why the city of Berlin caused problems for the USSR by 1961.

1. _____

2. _____

[4]



(b) Study Source B.

Give **three** reasons from **Source B** to explain why Khrushchev disliked West Berlin.

1. _____

 2. _____

 3. _____

- [6]



(c) Study Source C.

How **useful** is **Source C** in explaining the reasons for the collapse of the Berlin Wall in 1989?

[10]



Section B

Answer **one** question.

In **both** questions, up to **5 additional marks** may be awarded for spelling, punctuation and the accurate use of grammar.

- 2 Explain how relations between the USSR and the USA were affected by events in Eastern Europe between 1945 and 1956.

Use the following **three** paragraph headings to help you with your answer:

- Tensions over Eastern Europe, 1945–1947



- The Berlin Blockade and Airlift, 1948–1949

- Hungary, 1956

_____ [15]
and [SPaG 5]

[Turn over



3 Explain the actions of the USA in trying to stop the spread of communism in Asia between 1949 and 1965.

Use the following **three** paragraph headings to help you with your answer:

- The Domino Theory

- The USA and Korea



- The USA and Vietnam

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and [SPaG 5]

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**RESOURCE
BOOKLET**

Source Materials: The superpowers and the city of Berlin between 1950 and 1989

Source A: A modern historian writing in 2009. He is explaining problems caused for the superpowers by the city of Berlin up to 1961

In the 1950s more than two million people, many of whom were young and highly skilled, crossed from East Germany to West Berlin to enjoy a better lifestyle. This caused a shortage of workers in East Germany and showed that many people thought that democracy was better than communism. The USSR was under pressure from the government of East Germany to stop this. When Khrushchev could not persuade the USA to leave West Berlin, he ordered the building of a massive wall in August 1961. As a result, the number of people leaving was greatly reduced. The Berlin Wall became a symbol of the divisions between east and west. Although President Kennedy later visited West Berlin and called himself a Berliner, it seemed that the USSR had won this fight over Berlin.

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Source B: Khrushchev, former leader of the USSR, writing in 1970 about the building of the Berlin Wall

The most difficult issue at my meeting in Vienna in June 1961 with President Kennedy was West Berlin. I insisted that West Berlin should become a free city. I told Kennedy that if he did not agree, the USSR would be forced to control access to Berlin. We in the USSR believed that the USA was using West Berlin to spy on us. The USA was trying to persuade East Germans to leave for the West and damage the economy of East Germany. In August 1961 we decided that the time had come to stop the actions of the USA and protect East Germany. The building of the Berlin Wall improved things at once. Unrest in East Germany decreased and the economy improved.

© Khrushchev Remembers, Nikita S. Khrushchev, Harper Collins (1974) ISBN: 0233966102

Source C: A speech made by President Reagan of the USA at the Brandenburg Gate during a visit to West Berlin on 12 June 1987

I have come to West Berlin as President of the USA because it is my duty to speak in this place of freedom. I want to speak directly to the people of communist East Berlin. Behind me stands a wall that surrounds the free sectors of this city. It is part of the Iron Curtain which divides the entire continent of Europe. Here in Berlin the wall clearly cuts your city in two. We hear much from the USSR about a new policy of reform and openness. General Secretary Gorbachev, if you want peace, if you want wealth for the USSR and Eastern Europe, come here to Berlin Mr Gorbachev and tear down this wall.

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Source D: Cartoon drawn by an American cartoonist, showing the destruction of the Berlin Wall in 1989. It was published in an internet blog in 2009

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SOURCES

Source A: Finbar Madden: *History for CCEA GCSE* Hodder 2009 ISBN 9780340984109

Source B: *Khrushchev Remembers, The Last Testament* pp 501–509 Andre Deutsch 1974 ISBN 0233966102

Source C: Extract from Peter Robinson 'Tear Down this Wall' *Prologue Magazine*, Vol 39 No 2 Summer 2007

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