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History

International Advanced Subsidiary
PAPER 2: Breadth Study with Source Evaluation
Option 1C: Russia, 1917–91: From Lenin to Yeltsin

You must have:
Sources Booklet (enclosed)

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **ALL** questions in Section A and **ONE** question in Section B.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
  – *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
  – *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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SECTION A

Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Study Source 1 in the Sources Booklet before you answer this question.

1 (a) Why is Source 1 valuable to the historian for an enquiry into Gorbachev's policy to reduce controls on the lives of the people in Soviet Russia in the late 1980s?

Explain your answer using the source, the information given about it and your own knowledge of the historical context.

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Study Source 2 in the Sources Booklet before you answer this question.

(b) How much weight do you give to the evidence of Source 2 for an enquiry into the status of women in Russia under Stalin?

Explain your answer using the source, the information given about it and your own knowledge of the historical context.

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(Total for Question 1 = 25 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 25 MARKS

SECTION B

Answer ONE question in Section B.

You must start your answer to your chosen question on the next page.

EITHER

2 How accurate is it to say that, in the years 1917–28, War Communism was a failure but the New Economic Policy was a success?

(Total for Question 2 = 25 marks)

OR

3 How accurate is it to say that 'de-Stalinisation' was the most significant feature of Khrushchev's reform of government in Russia in the years 1953–64?

(Total for Question 3 = 25 marks)

OR

4 How accurate is it to say that the treatment of religion in the Soviet Union became increasingly harsh in the years 1953–82?

(Total for Question 4 = 25 marks)

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Chosen question number: **Question 2** ☐ **Question 3** ☐ **Question 4** ☐

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Sources for use with Section A.

Source 1: From a speech by Gorbachev to the Conference of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, June 1988. The Conference was called by Gorbachev in order to speed up change in the Soviet Union. Here he outlines the policy of glasnost.

I would like to focus particularly on the political freedoms that enable people to express opinions on any matter. These freedoms guarantee that any problem of public interest will be discussed from every perspective, and all the pros and cons will be weighed. This will help to find the best solutions by considering all opinions and actual possibilities. In short, Comrades, what we are talking about is a new role of public opinion in the country. And there is no need to fear new ideas.

Now – about the personal rights of citizens. Our entire legal system is designed to guarantee the rights of citizens in their private life, home, the secrecy of telephone communication, postal and telegraph correspondence. The law must reliably protect people's privacy.

The assertion of personal rights and freedoms, and the expansion of democracy and glasnost in general, must proceed together with an absolute respect for the law. Democracy cannot co-exist with immoral or reckless behaviour.

Source 2: From an article in *Pravda Severa*, 9 September 1932. *Pravda Severa* was a regional newspaper published in the far north of Russia. Here the writer comments on the daily lives of women working in factory No. 23 in Archangel in northern Russia.

In its day-to-day work with women, the Communist Party constantly implements the instructions first given by Lenin to bring women into productive employment. It releases women from domestic slavery by freeing them from subordination and the humiliation of always being responsible for cooking and taking care of the children. But officials of the Party collective and of the factory committee and the directors of factory No. 23 still have not understood this objective.

Pravda Severa has repeatedly demanded that the Party collective and the factory committee and the directors of factory No. 23 make serious efforts to eliminate queues at shops and improve the work of nurseries and kindergartens. This will liberate the housewives of the factory from the obstacles that destroy the strength of women, that isolate them from production and cultural activities, and that undermine the completion of the production plan at the factory.

Even though two months have already passed since we raised these issues, conditions at the factory have not changed at all. Neither the Party collective nor the factory committee have done anything to improve any of these awful conditions. They have also made no effort to keep more women at work in the factory.

We emphatically demand that the Party collective and the factory committee immediately turn their attention to getting more women into productive employment.

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Source 1 from: https://www.nytimes.com/1988/06/29/world/key-sections-of-gorbachev-speech-given-to-party-conference.html

Source 2 from: https://chnm.gmu.edu/wwh/p/53.html