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YEAR 12 Modern History – HSC COURSE

HSC Trial Exam 2020

Due Date: Week 9 & 10 Trial Examination Period – As per timetable provided	Assessment Name: Trial Examination
Mark: 0/75	Weighting: 30 %

SYLLABUS OUTCOMES TO BE ASSESSED:

MH12.1 accounts for the nature of continuity and change in the modern world

MH12.2 proposes arguments about the varying causes and effects of events and developments

MH12.5 assesses the significance of historical features, people, ideas, movements, events and developments of the modern world

MH12.7 discusses and evaluates differing interpretations and representations of the past

MH12.9 communicates historical understanding, using historical knowledge, concepts and terms, in appropriate and well-structured forms

DIRECTIVES TO BE ASSESSED:

Account: state reasons for, report on. Give an account of: narrate a series of events or transactions

Propose: put forward (for example a point of view, idea, argument, suggestion) for consideration or action

Assess: make a judgement of value, quality, outcomes, results or size

Evaluate: Make a judgement based on criteria; determine the value of

Communicate: Shares information

TASK DESCRIPTION:

- You will be required to complete a trial HSC Examination under exam conditions as per your timetable.
- You will have 2 hours and 25 min to complete this exam
- You will need to revise your content areas for the following topics studied:

- **Section I - Core Study – Power and Authority in the Modern World (25 Marks)**

There will be three or four questions in this section. One questions will be worth 10-15 marks. Questions in this section will require you to analyse and interpret sources and apply your own knowledge.

- **Section II – National Study – USA 1919-1941 (25 Marks)**

Extended Response worth 25 Marks. You will have two questions to choose from.

TWO of the following questions will be in the exam. You will be required to respond to ONE.

- Analyse the role of urbanisation and industrialisation in shaping American society during this period.
- *The New Deal successfully halted the Great Depression.* Discuss this statement.
- To what extent was FDR more successful than Herbert Hoover in halting the Great Depression.
- To what extent did the economic difficulties of the 1930s have a greater impact on African Americans than any other group in American society?

- **Section III – Peace and Conflict – Conflict in the Pacific (25 Marks)**

Extended Response worth 25 Marks. You will have two questions to choose from.

TWO of the following questions will be in the exam. You will be required to respond to ONE.

- Evaluate the view that Guadalcanal was the most significant turning point in the Pacific War.
- To what extent did US and British foreign policies in the Pacific between 1937-41 lead to the outbreak of war in the Pacific in 1941.
- *Life on the homefront was worse for the Japanese.* Discuss this statement.
- The success of the Japanese advance 1941-42 could not be maintained and ultimately resulted in the allies gaining the upper hand. How accurate is this statement?

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA – STUDENT CHECKLIST:

You will be assessed on your ability to:

- Address the question asked providing a clear explanation OR judgement based on a sophisticated and sustained argument which demonstrates a comprehensive understanding of the issue(s) raised in the question
- Support the argument with extensive and accurate historical knowledge and understanding including relevant evidence and interpretation
- Present a well-structured, logical and cohesive response using appropriate historical terms and concepts