

Past-paper walk-through

Imperialism: Debates ■ 7.2

eXercise

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Reading the mark scheme

- **B1** a mark that stands on its own – the point is either made or not.
- **M1** a *method* mark: the right approach, even if the number is wrong.
- **A1** an *answer* mark, and it usually needs its M mark first.
- **C1** a working mark on the way to the answer.
- **//** separates answers the examiner accepts equally.
- **ecf** = error carried forward: a later part is marked on your own earlier answer.
- **owtte** = “or words to that effect” – the wording need not match.

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4 “The colored women of the United States [have] bonded themselves together to fulfill a mission to which they feel peculiarly adapted and especially called.... It is not because we are discouraged at the progress made by our people that we have uttered the cry of alarm which has called together this band of earnest women assembled here tonight. In the unprecedented advancement made by the negro since his emancipation, we take great pride.... In public questions affecting our legal status, let us engage intelligently and continuously, whenever and wherever it is possible to strike a blow for equality and right.... Let the cause of temperance and morality be especially espoused in our effort to better humanity and elevate the race.... Let us consecrate¹ ourselves anew to the mission which we have been called to fulfill.... Let us not only preach, but practice race unity, race pride, reverence and respect for those capable of leading and

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advising us.” Source: Mary Church Terrell, president of the National Association of Colored Women, first presidential address to the association, 1897 1: dedicate
Respond to parts A, B, and C.

- (a)** Briefly describe the author’s purpose as expressed in the excerpt.
- (b)** Briefly explain how one historical development between 1865 and 1897 contributed to the ideas expressed in the excerpt.
- (c)** Briefly explain how the ideas expressed in the excerpt contributed to one historical development between 1897 and 1945.

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(a)

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- Briefly describe the author's purpose as expressed in the excerpt. (1 point) — accept any: Terrell's purpose was to celebrate the achievements of African Americans since emancipation.; Terrell challenged African American women to continue participating in public discussions regarding equality.; Terrell sought to oppose racial discrimination in the United States.

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(b) Mark scheme

- Briefly explain how one historical development between 1865 and 1897 contributed to the ideas expressed in the excerpt. (1 point) — accept any: The emancipation of enslaved people resulting from the Civil War gave African Americans their freedom, which allowed many African Americans to make unprecedented advancements in the postbellum era, a point that Terrell acknowledges in the excerpt.; The passage of constitutional amendments during Reconstruction led to the temporary political and social gains for African Americans celebrated by Terrell in the excerpt.; Supreme Court decisions such as *Plessy v. Ferguson* enforced racial segregation, leading activists such as Terrell to organize to advocate for civil rights.; The fight for equality continued for African Americans in the decades

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following emancipation, which supports Terrell's suggestion that women of color should continue to participate in public advocacy for equality.; Women contributed to larger conversations regarding temperance and morality in the late nineteenth century, an idea that is expressed in Terrell's call to better humanity.

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(c) Mark scheme

- Briefly explain how the ideas expressed in the excerpt contributed to one historical development between 1897 and 1945. (1 point) — accept any: Calls for temperance, such as those expressed by Terrell, eventually led to the constitutional amendment establishing Prohibition from 1920 to 1933.; The fight for equality for women, as illustrated in Terrell's arguments, eventually resulted in a women's suffrage movement that achieved voting rights through the Nineteenth Amendment.; Efforts to reform United States society contributed to the rise of the Progressive movement in the late 1800s and early 1900s.; The formation of organizations such as the National Association of Colored Women eventually led to a broader civil rights movement against legal segregation in the United States.

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“[The Standard Oil Trust] is the most perfectly developed trust in existence. . . . The perfection of the organization of [it], the ability and daring with which it has carried out its projects, make it the preeminent trust of the world. . . . So long as the Standard Oil Company can control transportation as it does today, it will remain master of the oil industry. . . . “ . . . The ethical cost of all this is the deep concern. We are a commercial people. . . . As a consequence, business success is sanctified, and, practically, any methods which achieve it are justified by a larger and larger class. All sorts of subterfuges¹ and sophistries² and slurring over of facts are employed to explain aggregations³ of capital whose determining factor has been like that of the Standard Oil Company, special privileges obtained by persistent secret effort in opposition to the spirit of the law, the efforts of legislators, and the most outspoken

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public opinion.” Ida Tarbell, journalist, *The History of the Standard Oil Company*, 1904

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Using the excerpt, respond to parts a, b, and c.

(a) Briefly describe one point of view suggested in the excerpt.

(b) Briefly explain how one specific historical development between 1865 and 1904 contributed to the development described in the excerpt.

(c) Briefly explain how ideas such as those reflected in the excerpt resulted in one specific effect between 1904 and 1920.

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(a)

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- Briefly describe one point of view suggested in the excerpt. (1 point) — accept any: The point of view of the excerpt is that of a reformer.; The point of view of the excerpt is that the Standard Oil Company is too big.; The author believes that government needs to step in to regulate large corporations.

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(b) Mark scheme

- Briefly explain how one specific historical development between 1865 to 1904 contributed to the development described in the excerpt. (1 point) — accept any:
The development of trusts like Standard Oil was partly a result of the popularity of laissez-faire policies that opposed government intervention in the economy.;
The federal government supported policies that placed few restrictions on companies like Standard Oil, allowing it to become a trust.; Companies like Standard Oil eliminated their competition to create monopolies, which made them very powerful.; Policies that restricted the power of labor organizations contributed to companies like Standard Oil becoming more powerful.; Westward expansion and imperialism opened new markets and resources, leading to some

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companies gaining a monopoly. Examples that earn this point might include the following, if appropriate elaboration is provided:; The processes of horizontal integration; The processes of vertical integration

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(c) Mark scheme

- Briefly explain how ideas such as those reflected in the excerpt resulted in one specific effect between 1904 and 1920. (1 point) — accept any: The concerns raised by Tarbell contributed to calls by Progressives for federal legislation that they believed would effectively regulate the economy.; By publishing her ideas, Tarbell gained support from the public, which contributed to trust-busting by the government.; The criticisms of reforms about the power of corporations like Standard Oil resulted in the increased power of the federal government over the economy.; The concerns raised by Tarbell promoted expanded union membership and agitation for higher wages, shorter hours, and safer working conditions. Examples that earn this point might include the following, if appropriate

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elaboration is provided;; The impact of muckraking; Application of federal laws such as the Sherman Anti-Trust Act (1890); The passage of laws such as the Clayton Anti-Trust Act (1914)