

Exercise walk-through

Continuity and Change in Period 8 ■ 8.15

eXercise

You must be able to

- state what the question requires
- name a change with evidence
- name a continuity with evidence
- use the CED's qualifiers to limit the judgment

Method — The requirement

A change and a continuity, both with evidence, related by a judgment.

Method — Changes

The United States asserting global leadership; the Civil Rights Act and Supreme Court decisions expanding civil rights; suburbanisation and the rise of the Sun Belt; the 1965 immigration laws.

Method — Continuities

The Cold War runs the whole period; **progress toward racial equality was slow**; poverty **persisted** despite affluence; and period 5's unresolved question about federal power is still being argued in 8.14.

Method — Limits

“Some legal and political successes”, “slow”, “varying levels of commitment to democracy”, “attempts at” — the CED’s qualifiers are what keep the judgment proportionate.

Practice 2.1 ■ 2 marks

State what a continuity-and-change answer requires.

Solution 2.1

Method: The requirement

Worked steps

a change and a continuity, both with evidence **B1**, related by a judgment **B1**.

Practice 2.2 ■ 2 marks

Name a change and a continuity with evidence.

Solution 2.2

Method: The requirement

Worked steps

change: global leadership, the Civil Rights Act, suburbanisation or the 1965 immigration laws **B1**; continuity: the Cold War throughout, slow progress toward racial equality, or persistent poverty **B1**.

Practice 2.3 ■ 2 marks

The judgment must be limited.

- (a) Name two of the CED's qualifiers.
- (b) State which of period 5's questions is still being argued.

Solution 2.3

Method: Continuities

Worked steps

(a) any two of: “some legal and political successes”; “slow”; “varying levels of commitment to democracy”; “attempts at” **B2**. (b) the power of the federal government **B1**.

Exam-style 3.1 ■ 1 mark

The CED describes progress toward racial equality in this period as

- A** slow
- B** complete
- C** immediate
- D** reversed entirely

Solution 3.1

Method: Continuities

A slow



B complete

C immediate

D reversed entirely

Worked steps

A. slow.

Exam-style 3.2 ■ 1 mark

“Attempts at” limits a claim about

A a national energy policy

B the Civil Rights Act

C the Great Society

D the Cold War

Solution 3.2

Method: Limits

A a national energy policy



B the Civil Rights Act

C the Great Society

D the Cold War

Worked steps

A. a national energy policy.

Exam-style 3.3 ■ 4 marks

Write a paragraph on continuity and change in the role of the federal government from 1945 to 1980.

Solution 3.3

Method: The requirement

Worked steps

a change with evidence **B1**; a continuity with evidence **B1**; both located in the period **B1**; a judgment relating them and limited by the CED's qualifiers **B1**.