

Past-paper walk-through

Economy in the Interwar Period ■ 7.4

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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.

Question 2

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Election Poster for the German National Socialist Party, 1932 The German text in the poster reads, “Men! Women! Millions of men without work; millions of children without futures. Save the German family—vote for Adolf Hitler.” Album/ Alamy Stock Photo

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

- (a)** Identify ONE likely political purpose of the image.
- (b)** Explain ONE way the image illustrates the economic situation of the period after the First World War.
- (c)** Explain ONE way the rise of the German National Socialist Party led to the Second World War.

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Solution 2

(a)

Mark scheme

- Identify ONE likely political purpose of the image. (1 point) — accept any:
The poster was created to inspire people to vote for the Nazi party.; The poster was created to convince people that voting for the Nazi party would solve their economic problems.; The poster was intended to make people angry with the current government and its management of the economy.

Solution 2

(b)

Mark scheme

- Explain ONE way the image illustrates the economic situation of the period after the First World War. (1 point) — accept any: The image shows the poverty that many families in Germany and elsewhere faced because of the Great Depression.; The image illustrates the growing popularity of the idea that governments should take a more active role in economic life.; The image shows that Germany suffered greatly following its defeat in the First World War, including unemployment, reparations, or inflation.

Solution 2

(c)

Mark scheme

- Explain ONE way the rise of the German National Socialist Party led to the Second World War. (1 point) — accept any: The rise of the Nazi Party contributed to aggressive militarism and the invasions of other countries.; The rise of the Nazi Party led to intense nationalism and a desire to create “living space” for Germans through military expansion and conquest.; After Hitler and the German National Socialist Party (the Nazis) gained totalitarian control over Germany, Hitler turned his attention to military domination of Europe, Africa, and other regions.

Question 4

2023 Set 2 ■ Q4

Respond to parts a, b, and c.

- (a)** Identify ONE historical development that contributed to the growth of a global economy during the period circa 1800–1914.
- (b)** Explain ONE way governments responded to economic crises or depressions during the period circa 1900–1945.
- (c)** Explain ONE way states changed their economies in response to the shifting global balance of power during the period circa 1945–1990.

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(a)

Mark scheme

- Identify ONE historical development that contributed to the growth of a global economy during the period circa 1800 to 1914. (1 point) — accept any: One development was European direct imperialism in Africa.; Industrialization contributed to the growth of a global economy.; The development of steamships and the use of fossil fuels contributed to the growth of a global economy.; European indirect imperialism in Latin America brought raw materials back to Europe and allowed European companies to produce cheap finished goods.

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(b) Mark scheme

- Explain ONE way governments responded to economic crises or depressions during the period circa 1900 to 1945. (1 point) — accept any: Bolshevik Russia/the Soviet Union responded to the economic disruption created by its civil war by instituting a planned economy and beginning a forced industrialization program under the Five-Year Plans.; Some governments, such as the government of the United States, responded to the Great Depression by implementing programs of government-financed public works/infrastructure to increase employment.; Some governments implemented new business and banking regulations and changed their fiscal policies (for example, by coming off the gold standard) to ease money supply.; During the Great Depression some nations, like Japan, strove to expand

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their imperialist territories in order to control more resources.; Long-lasting economic depression and the perceived inability of democratically elected governments to respond to it directly contributed to the rise to power of fascist governments, for example in Italy and in Germany.

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- Explain ONE way states changed their economies in response to the shifting global balance of power during the period circa 1945 to 1990. (1 point) — accept any: Many European and Asian states adopted policies of economic liberalization, partly because of United States influence.; Some states such as China attempted to industrialize their economies through programs such as the Great Leap Forward in order to compete with Western powers.; Some developing states in Latin America welcomed Western businesses that focused on extracting resources such as fruit.; Some states responded by aligning with either capitalist or communist economic policies as a result of the Cold War.