

Exercise walk-through

Causation in the Age of the Cold War and Decolonization ■ 8.9

eXercise

You must be able to

- state what an 'extent to which effects were similar' question asks
- name a shared effect across hemispheres
- name a difference and its basis
- state a limit on the judgment

Method — The question

“Explain the **extent to which** the effects of the Cold War were similar in the Eastern and Western Hemispheres” asks for a judgment with a degree, not a list of effects.

Method — A shared effect

Both hemispheres saw superpower alignment shape domestic politics, and both saw proxy conflicts — the CED locates proxy wars in Latin America, Africa and Asia, so no hemisphere is exempt.

Method — A difference

The presence of the formal alliances. NATO and the Warsaw Pact structured Europe directly, while in much of Asia, Africa and Latin America the same rivalry was conducted through proxy wars within states. The basis of comparison is the form the rivalry took.

Method — A limit

The CED does not claim uniformity, and neither should an answer. The Non-Aligned Movement is the CED's own evidence that some states resisted alignment entirely.

Practice 2.1 ■ 2 marks

State what this kind of question asks for.

Solution 2.1

Method: The question

Worked steps

a judgment with a degree of similarity **B1** rather than a list of effects **B1**.

Practice 2.2 ■ 2 marks

Name a shared effect across hemispheres.

Solution 2.2

Method: A shared effect

Worked steps

superpower alignment shaped domestic politics in both **B1**, and proxy conflicts occurred in Latin America, Africa and Asia **B1**.

Practice 2.3 ■ 2 marks

Name a difference and limit the judgment.

- (a) State the difference and its basis.
- (b) State the CED's own evidence for a limit.

Solution 2.3

Worked steps

(a) formal alliances structured Europe directly while elsewhere the rivalry ran through proxy wars within states **B1**; the basis is the form the rivalry took **B1**. (b) the Non-Aligned Movement **B1**.

Exam-style 3.1 ■ 1 mark

An “extent to which... similar” answer must contain

- A** a list of effects
- B** a judgment with a degree
- C** a chronology
- D** a definition only

Solution 3.1

Method: The question

- A a list of effects
- B a judgment with a degree** 
- C a chronology
- D a definition only

Worked steps

- B. a judgment with a degree.**

Exam-style 3.2 ■ 1 mark

The CED's evidence that some states resisted alignment is

- A** NATO
- B** the Non-Aligned Movement
- C** the Warsaw Pact
- D** the Great Leap Forward

Solution 3.2

Method: A limit

- A NATO
- B the Non-Aligned Movement 
- C the Warsaw Pact
- D the Great Leap Forward

Worked steps

- B. the Non-Aligned Movement.

Exam-style 3.3 ■ 4 marks

Write a paragraph judging how similar the Cold War's effects were in two regions.

Solution 3.3

Method: The question

Worked steps

a judgment of similarity stated **B1**; a shared effect with evidence **B1**; a difference with evidence **B1**; the judgment limited rather than claiming uniformity **B1**.