History Extension

Total marks – 50

Section I Pages 2–3

25 marks
• Attempt Question 1
• Allow about 1 hour for this section

Section II Page 4

25 marks
• Attempt Question 2
• Allow about 1 hour for this section

General Instructions
• Reading time – 5 minutes
• Working time – 2 hours
• Write using black pen
Section I

25 marks
Attempt Question 1
Allow about 1 hour for this section

Answer the question on pages 2–12 of the History Extension Writing Booklet. Extra writing booklets are available.

Your answer will be assessed on how well you:

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of relevant issues of historiography
- use relevant sources to support your argument
- present a detailed, logical and cohesive response

Use Source A and other sources to answer the question that follows.

Source A

* disingenuous: misleading, insincere, not totally honest
** veneer: thin covering, disguise
Question 1 (25 marks)

To what extent can histories be ‘neutral’ and ‘objective’?

Support your response with explicit references to Source A and at least TWO other relevant sources.
Section II

25 marks
Attempt Question 2
Allow about 1 hour for this section

Answer the question on pages 14–24 of the History Extension Writing Booklet. Extra writing booklets are available.

Your answer will be assessed on how well you:

■ demonstrate knowledge and understanding of an appropriate case study
■ engage with the historiography of the areas of debate selected for discussion
■ present a sustained, logical and cohesive response

Question 2 (25 marks)

Source B

… the past is fixed — no one can change what happened — but as the values of society change, the historians’ depiction of the past changes also.

DAVID CRABTREE, The Importance of History, 1993

To what extent does this statement apply to the changing interpretations of historical debates in your case study?

In your response, make explicit reference to Source B and at least ONE area of debate in your case study. Identify your case study at the beginning of your answer.

End of paper