**Question 9 (10 marks)**

How useful would Sources E and F be for a historian studying the different goals of Clemenceau, Lloyd George and Wilson in creating the Treaty of Versailles?

In your answer, consider the perspectives provided by the TWO sources and the reliability of each one.

Though Sources E and F historians can gain an insight to the different goals of Clemenceau, Lloyd George and Wilson in creating the Treaty of Versailles. Both sources give us much information regarding the views of the different leaders, however both sources show traces of bias, making them less reliable than the other perspective.

Source E is a letter of Charles Seymour, who was a member of the US delegation and an American. As Woodrow Wilson is a part of this document, the issue of the document having bias arises. As it is from an American perspective we can see that it is a very American-opinionated based source. Though the fact that the source has nation bias, the source cannot be depicted as something a historian can base his/her studies on. It does however give detailed recount of a person present at the meetings. It could be said that the document is in fact accurate.

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due to how it is a primary source, but it is ruled out through
that it has traces of bias, ultimately causing it to not be a
source a historian should study.

Source E can be a reliable source regarding a historian
who would like to learn of the perspective of Lloyd George
regarding the Treaty of Versailles. As it is written by
David Lloyd George himself, we know that it is
an accurate, first-hand perspective of his thoughts
regarding the Treaty of Versailles. Through how it
is written roughly over 15 years since he was
Prime Minister, it tells us that it is not a source
we can trust to be one hundred percent accurate.
Its views and opinions may have changed since
back then, which makes it an inaccurate reliable
source.

We can learn much from these sources regarding
their views on the Treaty of Versailles, but both are
proven wrong through bias and the date they were
written after the event.

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