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# QUESTION PAPER

## TEST- II (WORLD HISTORY)

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**Time Allowed: Three Hours**

**Maximum Marks: 250**

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**There are EIGHT questions divided in TWO SECTIONS**

**Candidate has to attempt FIVE questions in all.**

**Question Nos. 1 and 5 are compulsory and out of the remaining, THREE are to be attempted choosing at least ONE question from each Section.**

**The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.**

**Word limit in questions, wherever specified, should be adhered to.**

**Attempts of questions shall be counted in sequential order. Unless struck off, attempt of a question shall be counted even if attempted partly. Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Question-cum-Answer Booklet must be clearly struck off.**

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**SECTION A**

**Q.1 Answer the following in about 150 words each: 10x5=50**

- (a) "I found the crown of France lying on the ground, and I picked it up with my sword." Explain Abraham Lincoln's perspective. [10 Marks]
- (b) "The end of the Second World War witnessed the development and growth of socialist forces in different parts of the world." Discuss with the help of examples. [10 Marks]
- (c) "The great failing of the peace settlement was that it left the Germans with a sense of resentment and grievance but did not leave them too weak to retaliate and seek revenge." Explain. [10 Marks]
- (d) Briefly discuss the Windrush generation and recent controversy associated with it. [10 Marks]
- (e) "A war with France lay in the logic of history."-Bismarck. Comment. [10 Marks]

**Q.2**

- (a) "The path to socialism proceeds not through the establishment of model communities that set examples of harmonious cooperation to the world but through the clash of social classes." Discuss the Marx's critique of the utopian socialism and his attempt to put socialism on a new footing. [20 Marks]
- (b) "Drafting of the American Constitution was the work of four months of secret debates and compromises." Elucidate. [20 Marks]
- (c) Discuss how the frontal assault on the Enlightenment was launched by Jean-Jacques Rousseau. [10 Marks]

**Q.3**

- (a) "The settlement reached at the Congress of Berlin had ignored the aspirations and sentiments of the Balkan peoples in the interests of Powers and could not bring peace in Europe in the long run." Analyse. [20 Marks]
- (b) "Vladimir Lenin statues had been recently pulled down in Tripura by mobs which clearly shows how opinions had been sharply divided about Lenin and he remains a controversial figure in the history." Critically discuss different views regarding Lenin's controversial personality among historians and his responsibility of the excesses and atrocities during the Stalin era. [20 Marks]
- (c) "If Piedmont would gather to itself all living forces of Italy and will be in a position to lead her to the high destiny to which she is called Piedmont must begin by raising herself by re-establishing in Europe as well as in Italy a position and a credit equal to her ambition." Comment. [10 Marks]

**Q.4**

- (a) What were the factors responsible for the rapid industrialisation Germany after 1870? How did the industrialisation process of Germany differ from that of Britain? [20 Marks]
- (b) Give logic for and against the view that Hitler had no clear long-term plans for a major War. [20 Marks]
- (c) "The Concert of Europe as an agency for international co-operation broke up mainly on two rocks, one principle and the other of the mutual jealousy of the Powers." Comment. [10 Marks]

**SECTION B**

**Q.5 Answer the following in about 150 words each: 10x5=50**

**(a) "Russia's defeat by Japan in 1905 had fatal consequences for the peace of Europe leading to the First World War." Comment. [10 Marks]**

**(b) "Mussolini tried to solve Italian problem through the concept of Corporatism." Critically comment. [10 Marks]**

**(c) "The Brussels Treaty was the first step towards the formation of NATO." Comment. [10 Marks]**

**(d) "I believe that it must be the policy of the United States to support free peoples who are resisting attempted subjugation by armed minorities or by outside pressures. I believe that we must assist free peoples to work out their own destinies in their own way. I believe that our help should be primarily through economic and financial aid which is essential to economic stability and orderly political processes."—President Harry Truman. Comment. [10 Marks]**

**(e) "Arab Nationalism, which had reached great heights during the First World War was sacrificed at the altar of the interests of Britain and France in Paris." Explain. [10 Marks]**

**Q.6**

**(a) What problems were germane to the decolonization process in Kenya? Also discuss role played by Jomo Kenyatta in the process. [20 Marks]**

**(b) Critically discuss the role played by different French Philosophers in the French Revolution. [20 Marks]**

**(c) Discuss the policy of the United States seeking to resolve the conflict between the Nationalists and the communists during the period of 1945-49? [10 Marks]**

**Q.7**

**(a) "The Suez crisis had shown the UNO at its best and it proved to be Britain's last fling of the imperial dice." Analyse this statement. [20 Marks]**

**(b) "Several factors worked together to make the League of Nations a failure but calling it complete failure and irrelevant in the world history is unjustified." Elaborate. [20 Marks]**

**(c) "Though reaction triumphed in some countries, the Revolutions of 1830 had far reaching consequences beneficial to the cause of the people." Comment. [10 Marks]**

**Q.8**

**(a) "After achieving independence from foreign colonial rulers, the new African nations faced several problems impeding their development which were mostly similar in nature." Discuss with the help of examples. [20 Marks]**

**(b) In spite of having limitations, how the Emancipation Proclamation was significant in the course of the American Civil War? [20 Marks]**

**(c) "Revolution occurred in France in 1848 because France was bored." Explain this statement. [10 Marks]**