



**HISTORY**  
**ROUTE 2**  
**HIGHER LEVEL**  
**PAPER 3 – ASPECTS OF THE HISTORY OF THE AMERICAS**

SPECIMEN PAPER

2 hours 30 minutes

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer three questions.



1. Analyse the reasons why the thirteen American colonies were able to win their independence from the British.
2. Compare and contrast the role of leadership in the independence movements of **two** Latin American countries.
3. Discuss the impact of the War of 1812 on British North America.
4. In what ways, and for what reasons, did *caudillos* consolidate themselves in the nineteenth century in **two** countries of the region?
5. In what ways, and with what effects, did westward expansion intensify sectionalism in the United States between 1845 and 1860?
6. Evaluate the economic, social and political successes and failures of the Reconstruction.
7. For what reasons, and with what results, did railroads develop in **one** country of the region between 1860 and 1929? Support your answers with examples.
8. Examine the impact of Marcus Garvey on the development of African-American society.
9. Why did the United States go to war with Spain in 1898?
10. Examine the impact of the First World War on Canadian politics.
11. Compare and contrast the participation and importance of Emiliano Zapata and Francisco “Pancho” Villa in the course of the Mexican Revolution between 1910 and 1919.
12. Explain the impact of the Mexican Revolution on the arts.
13. Discuss Hoover’s response to the Great Depression.
14. Analyse the impact of the Great Depression on **one** country of the region.

15. Examine the military contributions of **two** countries of the region to the Second World War.
  16. Compare and contrast the treatment of Japanese Americans and Japanese Canadians by their respective nations during the Second World War.
  17. Evaluate the successes and failures of Lyndon B Johnson’s Great Society.
  18. Analyse the long-term and short-term causes of the Cuban Revolution (1959).
  19. In what ways, and for what reasons, did President Truman (1945–1953) apply the policy of containment in the region?
  20. Compare and contrast the impact of the Cold War on the foreign policy of Canada and **one** Latin American country.
  21. In what ways did the Civil Rights Movement of Native Americans change during the 1960s? Support your views with examples of **two** countries from the region.
  22. How did Malcolm X and the Black Panthers affect the goals of the Civil Rights Movement?
  23. Discuss the reasons for the re-establishment of democracy in **one** Latin American country after 1980.
  24. “The domination of the United States over the international order in the 1990s was only temporary.” To what extent do you agree with this view?
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