

2023 Scholarship Examination Paper

HISTORY (COMMON PAPER)

Wednesday, 22nd February 2023 Time allowed – 30 minutes

The paper consists of a primary source and three questions. Each question is worth 10 marks.

You are expected to be able to write accurate, grammatical, well punctuated prose throughout the paper.

Read the source below and answer the three questions that follow:

This extract is from the London Times. Founded in 1785, the London Times was one of the most popular newspapers in London by 1792. A successful business, it made significant profit and was able to pay its reporters well.

This extract describes the September Massacres that took place in Paris from 2 - 7 September 1792. In the Massacres 1,500 prisoners were executed by the Paris mob (radical members of the French lower classes) due to fears that the prisoners were enemies of the French Revolution. Britain began to prepare for war from late 1792 and joined the War of the First Coalition against France in February 1793.

The London Times, Monday 10 September 1792:

Paris, France: The number of Clergy found was about 220. They were handed out two by two into the Rue Vaugerard, where they were executed. Their bodies were fixed on pikes and shown to the victims who were next to suffer. The streets of Paris, covered with the bodies of the mangled victims, are become so familiar that they are passed by and trod on without any notice. The mob- a motley* group with almost as many women as men- think no more of killing a fellow creature than boys would of killing a cat or a dog. In the massacres last week, every person who had the appearance of a gentleman, whether stranger or not, was run through with a pike. A ring, a watch chain, a new coat... everything which marked the appearance of a gentleman was sure to cost the owner his life.

It is highly dangerous for anyone to express himself with sympathy at what passes. He would then become himself an object of suspicion... A report of the massacres was made by a Member of the National Assembly** on Monday. Although we know that this report does not state the whole of the fact, which for obvious reasons are concealed.

- * motley = mixed and disorganised
- ** National Assembly = the French Parliament in 1792
 - a) What can be learned from this source about Paris in 1792? Explain with reference to the text. **(10 marks)**
 - b) Evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of this source as evidence in a historical enquiry about the events of the September Massacres. (10 marks)
 - c) Shortly after the September Massacres the French King, Louis XVI, was executed. Reflecting on a figure that you have studied, explain why he or she was unable to influence history in the way that he or she would have liked. (10 marks)



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GEOGRAPHY (COMMON PAPER)

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There are 6 questions to choose from and you should answer 3.

Spend the same amount of time answering each one. You are expected to write accurate, grammatical, well punctuated prose throughout this paper.

There are 18 marks available in total

Question 1

Explain why the impacts of earthquakes can vary between different places (6 marks)

Question 2

Explain how climate change might impact places differently (6 marks)

Question 3

Explain how a city might reduce its use of fossil fuels (6 marks)

Question 4

Explain how technology has changed how we interact with other parts of the world (6 marks)

Question 5

Explain why a sudden increase in population could cause problems in a city (6 marks)

Question 6

Explain why cutting down trees can have a negative impact on the environment (6 marks)



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RELIGIOUS AND ETHICAL STUDIES (COMMON PAPER)

Wednesday, 22nd February 2023 Time allowed – 30 minutes

There are two questions on this paper.

Candidates must answer one question only.

There are 25 marks available for this paper.

5 of these are for spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Candidates should leave time at the end to check through their work.

RELIGIOUS AND ETHICAL STUDIES:

Answer ONE of the	following	questions, eith	ner question a	or qu	uestion b)).
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Do not answer both questions.

Each question is worth 25 marks. (5 marks are awarded for spelling, punctuation and grammar.)

EITHER:

a) 'Religion is an outdated concept.'

How far would you agree with this statement?

Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have considered more than one point of view. You must refer to religion in your answer.

(25)

OR

b) 'Someone who is religious should never be in favour of abortion.

How far would you agree with this statement?

Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have considered more than one point of view. You must refer to religion in your answer.

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End of Paper