

O Level

History

Session: 1967
Type: Syllabus
Code: 228-230/232/239

HISTORY

ORDINARY LEVEL

There will be a choice of papers, each of 2½ hours. Candidates will take one paper only and answer any five questions.

The questions set will be designed to test both knowledge and understanding of historical material, a reasonable power to select such facts as are appropriate to the questions set, and some ability to adapt the matter so selected to the requirements of the questions.

Candidates must bear in mind that a proper understanding of the period selected for special study is impossible without some outline knowledge of developments which led up to and immediately followed it.

228. British and European History to 1688

The paper will be divided into two sections: A. English History to 1485, European History to 1494; B. English History 1485–1688, European History 1494–1688.

229. British and European History, 1485–1815

The paper will be divided into two sections: B. 1485–1688; C. 1688–1815.

230. British and European History, 1688–1939

The paper will be divided into two sections: C. 1688–1815; D. 1815–1939. (See also the note on Section E, below.)

Content of sections

(i) Section A. British and European History to 1485

English History. This section will contain at least twelve questions on English History from the end of Roman Rule to 1485, of which at least three questions will be on English social and economic History. No questions will be set on Roman Britain.

European History. At least eleven questions will be set on European History from the accession of Justinian to 1494.

Section B. British and European History, 1485–1688

At least eleven questions will be set on English History, of which three or more will cover topics in English social and economic History; one question on English possessions or colonies overseas will normally be included. At least seven questions will be set on European History.

Section C. British and European History, 1688–1815

At least nine questions will be set on British History, of which at least three will be on British social and economic History and one on British

possessions and colonies overseas. At least six questions will be set on European History.

Section D. British and European History, 1815–1939

Sixteen questions or more will be set on British History, of which at least five will be on British social and economic History and two on the British Empire and Commonwealth. A minimum of ten questions will be set on European History.

Supplementary Section E. British and European History, 1939 to the present day

A Supplementary Section E, British and European History, 1939 to the present day, will be available to schools offering Section D (1815–1939), provided that special application is made by 1 November in the year preceding the examination and on payment of a fee of £2. At least six questions will be set. Candidates of schools offering Section E will be able to choose their questions from both of Sections D and E.

(ii) *Each section* will contain one question requiring candidates to write shortly on three topics. This question will contain nine topics in each of Sections A, B and C, arising from British History (three), Social and Economic History (three), and European History (three); the question in Section D will contain twelve topics, the sub-division in this Section being four on each of the themes mentioned previously. The type of answer required will be either a fairly detailed explanation of a single incident, a treatment in outline of a more extensive subject, or a biographical sketch.

In each of the Sections A, B, C and D, one or two questions, which are partly British and partly European, will be set both in the British and the European parts of the papers.

232. History of the British Empire and Commonwealth

This paper will be set on the period 1558–1939. Candidates will be asked to attempt five questions out of about fifteen set. These five may be chosen from any part of the paper, but candidates should be prepared to answer questions covering at least the period 1558–1815 or the period 1740–1939. They may be required to draw sketch-maps, where necessary, to illustrate their answers. Some knowledge will be required of the internal history and development of the most important countries of the Empire and Commonwealth.

239. English Social and Economic History

This paper will contain eight questions on each of the two periods 1066–1760 and 1760–1939; candidates will be required to answer any five questions. [The change in the title of this Paper does not imply any change either in the syllabus or in the types of question.]

Special Topics on British and European History

Details may be obtained of a scheme whereby school candidates offering one of the outline papers on British and European History, may also be examined on a special topic selected by the school.



Archives &
Heritage