History
Advanced
Paper 2: Depth study
Option 2C.1: France in revolution, 1774–99
Option 2C.2: Russia in revolution, 1894–1924

Wednesday 13 June 2018 – Afternoon
Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

You must have:
Sources Booklet (enclosed)

Instructions
• Use black ink or ball-point pen.
• Fill in the boxes at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
• You must answer two questions on the option for which you have been prepared.
• There are two sections in this question paper. Answer one question from Section A and one question from Section B.
• Answer the questions in the spaces provided – there may be more space than you need.

Information
• The total mark for this paper is 40.
• The marks for each question are shown in brackets – use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.

Advice
• Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
• Check your answers if you have time at the end.
SECTION A

Choose EITHER Question 1 OR Question 2 for which you have been prepared.

You must start your answer on page 3.

Option 2C.1: France in revolution, 1774-99

Study Sources 1 and 2 in the Sources Booklet before you answer this question.

1 How far could the historian make use of Sources 1 and 2 together to investigate the extent of the Directory's success?

   Explain your answer, using both sources, the information given about them and your own knowledge of the historical context.

   (Total for Question 1 = 20 marks)

Option 2C.2: Russia in revolution, 1894-1924

Study Sources 3 and 4 in the Sources Booklet before you answer this question.

2 How far could the historian make use of Sources 3 and 4 together to investigate the impact of the Kornilov affair on the Bolsheviks?

   Explain your answer, using both sources, the information given about them and your own knowledge of the historical context.

   (Total for Question 2 = 20 marks)
SECTION B

Answer ONE question in Section B on the option for which you have been prepared.

You must start your answer to your chosen question on the next page.

Option 2C.1: France in revolution, 1774-99

EITHER

3 How significant was the challenge posed by the Enlightenment to the *ancien régime* in France in the years 1774-89?

(Total for Question 3 = 20 marks)

OR

4 ‘Religious issues were primarily responsible for the deepening divisions in France in the years 1790-94.’

How far do you agree with this statement?

(Total for Question 4 = 20 marks)

Option 2C.2: Russia in revolution, 1894-1924

EITHER

5 How far do you agree that the survival of the Tsarist system, in the years 1894-1906, owed more to the weaknesses of its opponents than to government policies?

(Total for Question 5 = 20 marks)

OR

6 To what extent did the Bolshevik government consolidate communist rule in Russia in the years 1918-21?

(Total for Question 6 = 20 marks)
Option 2C.2: Russia in revolution, 1894-1924

Sources for use with Question 2.

Source 3: From a letter written by Lenin to the Central Committee of the Bolshevik Party, 14 September 1917.

On July 3-4* it could have been argued that the correct thing for the Bolsheviks to do was to take power, for our enemies would in any case have accused us of revolution and ruthlessly treated us as rebels. However, to have decided in favour of taking power at that time would have been wrong, because the conditions for the victory of the revolution did not exist.

(1) We still lacked the support of the working class that is the vanguard of the revolution. We still did not have a majority among the workers and soldiers of Petrograd and Moscow. Now we have a majority in both Soviets. It was created solely by the history of July and August, by the experience of the ruthless treatment handed out to the Bolsheviks, and by the experience of the Kornilov revolt.

(2) There was no country-wide revolutionary upsurge at that time. There is now, after the Kornilov revolt; the situation in the provinces and the assumption of power by the Soviets in many localities prove this.

(3) Therefore, an insurrection on July 3-4 would have been a mistake; we could not have retained power either physically or politically. We could not have retained it physically even though Petrograd was at times in our hands, because at that time our workers and soldiers would not have fought and died for Petrograd. We could not have retained power politically on July 3-4 because, before the Kornilov revolt, the army and the provinces could and would have marched against Petrograd.

*July 3-4 - the July Days
Source 4: From Alexander Kerensky, *The Prelude to Bolshevism: The Kornilov Rebellion*, published 1919. Kerensky was Prime Minister of the Provisional Government at the time of the Kornilov Affair.

The Kornilov adventure was the prologue to the Bolshevik coup. Had there been no Kornilov affair in August, there would not have been a Bolshevik takeover in October 1917. And that is really the great crime, the unforgivable sin against our native country of those naïve dreamers, skilful politicians and bold adventurers who undertook to save Russia by means of a 'White General'. In his proclamation to the Russian people, General Kornilov, in spite of all evidence to the contrary, stated that the Provisional Government acted under the pressure of the Bolshevik majority in the Soviets. Whether Kornilov himself laboured under a delusion, or lied, is of no importance. But, there was nothing, nothing whatever, of the kind at the time in the Soviets, which were clearly leaning to the right.

Before the Kornilov rising there had not been a Bolshevik majority in a single Soviet. Nevertheless, Kornilov proved himself to be a remarkable prophet. Within a week after the Kornilov rising, the Soviets were taken over by the Bolsheviks. Then everywhere Bolshevik majorities came into being, and there began under the motto 'All power to the Soviets' the fatal conflict of the unrestrained masses against responsible leadership and order in Russia.