**Mid A-level mock 2020**

**Cold War c.1945-1963**

**What will be included in the exam?**

Section B: 2 x 25 mark questions (out of a choice of three)

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| **Section 1: The Origins of the Cold War c.1945-1949** | | | | | |
| US, British and USSR relations in 1945 | | | | | |
|  | * Conflicting ideologies | |  |  |  |
|  | * Tensions at Yalta | |  |  |  |
|  | * Relations between Stalin, Roosevelt and Churchill | |  |  |  |
|  | * The breakdown of the Grand Alliance at Potsdam | |  |  |  |
|  | * Relations between Truman, Stalin and Attlee | |  |  |  |
| Developing tensions up to 1948 | | | | | |
|  | * The Soviet Union and Eastern and Southern Europe | |  |  |  |
|  | * Kennan’s Long Telegram | |  |  |  |
|  | * Churchill’s Iron Curtain Speech | |  |  |  |
|  | * The Greek Civil War | |  |  |  |
|  | * The Truman Doctrine | |  |  |  |
|  | * Cominform September 1947 | |  |  |  |
| The USA’s involvement in Europe | | | | | |
|  | * The USA’s policy towards Britain and Europe | |  |  |  |
|  | * The launch of the Marshall Plan, June 1947 | |  |  |  |
|  | * US attitudes to Germany and Berlin | |  |  |  |
| Conflict over Germany, 1947-49 | | | | | |
|  | * Developments in the zones | |  |  |  |
|  | * Bizonia and currency reform | |  |  |  |
|  | * The Berlin Blockade, June 1948-May 1949 | |  |  |  |
|  | * The creation of East and West Germany | |  |  |  |
|  | * The formation of NATO April 1949 | |  |  |  |
| **Section 2: The Widening of the Cold War, 1949-1955** | | | | | |
| US containment in action in Asia | | | | | |
|  | * The reconstruction of post-war Japan | |  |  |  |
|  | * US-Japanese relations | |  |  |  |
|  | * The USA’s support for Jiang Jieshi and policy towards China and Taiwan | |  |  |  |
|  | * NSC-68 | |  |  |  |
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| The Korean War, 1950-53 | | | | | |
|  | * Causes of the Korean War | |  |  |  |
|  | * The USSR and China’s support for North Korea | |  |  |  |
|  | * Military involvement | |  |  |  |
|  | * The settlement | |  |  |  |
|  | * The impact of the Korean War | |  |  |  |
| Increasing Cold War tensions | | | | | |
|  | * McCarthyism in the USA | |  |  |  |
|  | * The influence of McCarthyism on Britain and Europe | |  |  |  |
|  | * US dominance in the United Nations | |  |  |  |
|  | * The isolation of China | |  |  |  |
| Alliances and shifts | | | | | |
|  | * The expansion of alliance systems | |  |  |  |
|  | * Eisenhower, Dulles and ‘brinkmanship’ | |  |  |  |
|  | * The domino theory and the US attitude to French Indochina | |  |  |  |
|  | * The Geneva Conference, July 1954 | |  |  |  |
| **Section 3: The Global War, 1955-1963** | | | | | |
| Khrushchev and East-West relations, 1955-60 | | | | | |
|  | * The impact of risings in Poland and Hungary | |  |  |  |
|  | * The degree of ‘peaceful coexistence’ | |  |  |  |
|  | * The Austrian State Treaty, 1955 | |  |  |  |
| Cold War rivalries, 1955-63 | | | | | |
|  | * The extension of the arms race | |  |  |  |
|  | * The space race, Sputnik and space flight | |  |  |  |
|  | * The Berlin Crisis | |  |  |  |
| Conflict in Asia, 1955-63 | | | | | |
|  | * Ho Chi Minh and North Vietnam | |  |  |  |
|  | * Diem and South Vietnam | |  |  |  |
|  | * The Formation of the National Liberation Front | |  |  |  |
|  | * President Kennedy’s policies towards Indochina | |  |  |  |
|  | * The Strategic Hamlet Program, 1962 | |  |  |  |
|  | * The assassination of President Diem | |  |  |  |
| Confrontation between the superpowers | | | | | |
|  | * US attitudes to Cuba and developments leading to the missile crisis | |  |  |  |
|  | * The 13 day crisis | |  |  |  |
|  | * The significance of the crisis | |  |  |  |