

GCSE HISTORY

Paper 1 Section A/D: America, 1920–1973: Opportunity and inequality

Interpretations Booklet

Interpretations A and **B** for use in answering Questions 01, 02 and 03



Interpretation A Adapted from an article by Michael Ventura about 1950s America, written in 1999.

Ventura was a teenager during the 1950s. He went on to be a music journalist. From the 1970s to the 2010s he worked for magazines that specialised in promoting new styles of music.

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Interpretation B Adapted from an interview given by Frank Sinatra in the late 1950s.

Sinatra was a world-famous, award-winning singer in the 1940s with thousands of young fans. This popularity became known as 'Sinatramania'. However, by the early 1950s his style of music was less popular, and he lost his recording contract.

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END OF INTERPRETATIONS

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