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HISTORY - UNIT 2

DEPTH STUDY 4: POLITICS AND SOCIETY IN
WALES AND ENGLAND c. 1900-1939

PART 1: POLITICS, SOCIETY AND THE WAR:
WALES AND ENGLAND, c. 1900-1918

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INTRODUCTION

This marking scheme was used by WJEC for the 2016 examination. It was finalised after detailed discussion at examiners' conferences by all the examiners involved in the assessment. The conference was held shortly after the paper was taken so that reference could be made to the full range of candidates' responses, with photocopied scripts forming the basis of discussion. The aim of the conference was to ensure that the marking scheme was interpreted and applied in the same way by all examiners.

It is hoped that this information will be of assistance to centres but it is recognised at the same time that, without the benefit of participation in the examiners' conference, teachers may have different views on certain matters of detail or interpretation.

WJEC regrets that it cannot enter into any discussion or correspondence about this marking scheme.

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Marking guidance for examiners for Question 1

Summary of assessment objectives for Question 1

Question 1 assesses assessment objective 2. This assessment objective is a single element focused on the ability to analyse and evaluate contemporary source material in its historical context. The mark awarded to Question 1 is 30.

The structure of the mark scheme

The mark scheme for Question 1 has two parts:

- advice on the specific question outlining indicative content which can be used to assess the quality of the specific response. This content is not prescriptive and candidates are not expected to mention all the material referred to. Assessors should seek to credit any further admissible evidence offered by candidates.
- an assessment grid advising which bands and marks should be given to responses which demonstrate the qualities needed in assessment objective 2.

Deciding on the mark awarded within a band

The first stage for an examiner is to decide the overall band. The second stage is to decide how firmly the qualities expected for that level are displayed. Thirdly a final mark for the question can then be awarded.

INDICATIVE CONTENT FOR QUESTION 1

NOTE: This content is not prescriptive and candidates are not expected to mention all the material referred to below. Assessors should seek to credit any further admissible evidence offered by candidates. Each answer will be assessed on its merits according to the assessment grid as well as the indicative content.

With reference to the sources and your understanding of the historical context, assess the value of these three sources to an historian studying the effects of war on the people of Wales and England 1901-1916.

Candidates are expected to demonstrate their ability to analyse and evaluate a range of source material with a high degree of discrimination. Source evaluation skills should focus on discussing the strengths and the limitations of the nominated sources. To judge utility, there should be consideration of the content and the authorship of the nominated sources to discuss reliability, bias, purpose and validity, as appropriate.

Candidates will consider the value of the sources to an historian studying the effects of war on the people of Wales and England between 1901-1916. Understanding of the historical context should be utilised to analyse and evaluate the strengths and limitations of the sources. Appropriate observations may be made in the analysis and evaluation of the sources including:

- Source A is a direct newspaper report from a correspondent during the Boer War who would be in a position to relay information about what he has witnessed. Heavily critical of the cost of war and the profits being made by big businesses, it is clearly anti-war and critical of the fact that poverty is being ignored in Britain. It provides us with a valuable insight into the poor state of the British soldier during the war, and clearly indicates that these issues are worthy of reporting and are of general interest to readers in the context of the period.
- Source B is a valuable source, coming as it does from a prominent politician associated with the war effort. David Lloyd George was Minister of Munitions, Chancellor and Prime Minister of the Coalition Government from 1916-1922. As such he would be in a pivotal position to be able to make informed comments on Britain's situation during the war, although wartime propaganda might not allow him to be totally open in a political speech in the House of Commons. However, written in 1915, the tone is pleading for continued commitment to the war effort from the British people, at a time when the production of munitions was a topical issue.
- Source C is a letter written by a contemporary of the period expressing her view about women's role during the war and how attitudes have changed towards them and their demand to the vote. As a Suffragist, Tennant would certainly wish to press her claim for women's rights and uses the war effort as a means of extolling the virtues of women who were contributing to the war effort in many roles by 1916: Land Army, WAC, WRAF, munitionettes to name a few. The source claims that attitudes towards them have changed and being a contemporary her views would be valuable to an historian studying the impact of war on a large section of society.

Overall, candidates will assess the value of the sources to an historian studying the effects of war on the lives of the people of Wales and England 1901-1916. They are able to demonstrate that value through consideration of the content, provenance and tone of the presented sources with appropriate reference to the historical context linked to the sources.

ASSESSMENT GRID FOR QUESTION 1

Target: AO2

Total mark: 30

Focus: Analyse and evaluate appropriate source material, primary and / or contemporary to the period, within its historical context

Band 6 CHARACTERISTICS		<i>Sustained and accurate analysis and evaluation of the given sources involving full and valid consideration of the content, provenance and tone of the sources; full understanding shown of the correct historical context associated with the set enquiry; reaches a full and substantiated judgement regarding the value of the sources to an historian studying a particular issue</i>
B6H	30	The response shows accurate and sustained source evaluation using the content and attributions to deal with the strengths and limitations of all of the given sources, setting the response in the correct historical context and covering all of the period set in the enquiry. There will be a sustained and fully substantiated judgement on the <i>value</i> of all three sources to an historian studying a particular issue.
B6M	28	The response shows mainly accurate and sustained source evaluation using the content and attributions to deal with the strengths and limitations of all of the given sources setting the response in the correct historical context covering all of the period set in the enquiry. There will be a sustained judgement on the <i>value</i> of all three sources to an historian studying a particular issue.
B6L	26	The response begins to show some characteristics of Band 6

Band 5 CHARACTERISTICS		<i>Meaningful analysis and evaluation of the given sources involving valid consideration of the content, provenance and tone of the sources; understanding shown of the correct historical context associated with the set enquiry; reaches a valid judgement regarding the value of the sources to an historian studying a particular issue in each of the three sources.</i>
B5H	25	The response shows accurate source evaluation using the content and attributions to deal with the strengths and limitations of all of the given sources, setting the response in the correct historical context and covering most of the period set in the enquiry. There will be a valid judgement on the <i>value</i> of all three sources to an historian studying a particular issue.
B5M	23	The response shows mainly accurate source evaluation using the content and attributions to deal with the strengths and limitations of all of the given sources with a clear attempt to set the response in the correct historical context. There will be a sound judgement on the <i>value</i> of all of the three sources to an historian studying a particular issue.
B5L	21	The response begins to show some characteristics of Band 5

Band 4 CHARACTERISTICS		<i>Clearly attempts an analysis and evaluation of the given sources in relation to the historical context of the set enquiry with some consideration of the content, provenance and tone of the sources; a sound judgement is seen regarding the value of all three sources</i>
B4H	20	The response is able to discuss the strengths and limitations of all three sources by focusing on their attributions, content and the historical context. The judgement on <i>value</i> will be clear and supported.
B4M	18	The response is able to discuss the strengths and limitations of the three sources by focusing on their attributions, content and the historical context. The judgement on <i>value</i> will be clear.
B4L	16	The response begins to show some characteristics of Band 4

Band 3 CHARACTERISTICS		<i>Mechanistic use of the content and attributions of the given sources to discuss their utility; begins to show some general awareness of the historical context relating to the set enquiry; limited judgement on the value of the sources will be seen</i>
B3H	15	The response is able to discuss the strengths and / or limitations of the three sources by focusing on their attributions, content and / or omissions. Any reference to the historical context will be limited. There will be a limited judgement on the <i>value</i> of all of the sources.
B3M	13	The response is able to discuss the strengths and / or limitations of some or all of the three sources by focusing on their attributions, content and / or omissions. Any reference to the historical context will be limited. There will be a limited judgement on the <i>value</i> of some of the sources – say two out of three.
B3L	11	The response begins to show some characteristics of Band 3 Should be used if there is only ONE ATTRIBUTION attempted

Band 2 CHARACTERISTICS		<i>Mechanistic and formulaic use of the content of the given sources to show their value; little understanding of the historical context is seen</i>
B2H	10	The response is able to discuss the strengths and / or limitations of some or all of the three sources by focusing on their content mostly; any references to the historical context will be general and vague. There will be a limited judgement on the <i>value</i> of at least one of the sources.
B2M	8	The response is able to discuss the strengths and / or limitations of some (say 2) of the three sources by focusing on their content and omissions with some imbalance; any references to the historical context will be very general and vague.
B2L	6	The response trawls through the sources.

Band 1 CHARACTERISTICS		<i>Copies or paraphrases from content or attributions of the given sources.</i>
B1H	5	Paraphrases from all of the three sources and/or attributions or plain narrative.
B1L	3	Copies from one or two of the three sources and/or attributions.
	0	Use for incorrect answers

Marking guidance for examiners for Question 2

Summary of assessment objectives for Question 2

Question 2 assesses assessment objective 3. This assessment objective is a single element focussed on the ability to analyse and evaluate how and why different historical interpretations have been made. The mark awarded to Question 2 is 30.

The structure of the mark scheme

The mark scheme for Question 2 has two parts:

- advice on the specific question outlining indicative content which can be used to assess the quality of the specific response. This content is not prescriptive and candidates are not expected to mention all the material referred to. Assessors should seek to credit any further admissible evidence offered by candidates.
- an assessment grid advising which bands and marks should be given to responses which demonstrate the qualities needed in assessment objective 3.

Deciding on the mark awarded within a band

The first stage for an examiner is to decide the overall band. The second stage is to decide how firmly the qualities expected for that level are displayed. Thirdly a final mark for the question can then be awarded.

INDICATIVE CONTENT FOR QUESTION 2

NOTE: This content is not prescriptive and candidates are not expected to mention all the material referred to below. Assessors should seek to credit any further admissible evidence offered by candidates. Each answer will be assessed on its merits according to the assessment grid as well as the indicative content.

How valid is the view that the Liberal social reforms of 1906-1914 were largely designed to address the problems of poverty?

Candidates are expected to show an understanding of how aspects of the past have been interpreted in different ways. Answers will consider the provided material and use their own understanding of the historical context and of the wider historical debate in making their judgement regarding the validity of the view that the Liberal social reforms were largely designed to address the problems of poverty.

Candidates are invited to enter into a debate about the motivation of the Liberal social reforms. Learners will consider interpretations of this issue within the wider historical debate about the motivation and extent of the Liberal social reforms. Some of the issues to consider may include:

- Interpretation 1 argues that social reform was not wholly popular during the period and was neither radical nor meaningful considering the problems facing the country. Political decisions largely influenced social change and the desire to win votes was the primary instigator rather than any genuine attempt to help those in need. The old order still dominated and it was the will of the rich which influenced change, which was therefore kept to the minimum.
- In analysing and evaluating Interpretation 1 candidates might argue that the historian J. R. Hay is well versed in the history of the Liberal party being a specialist in the party's history and writing a specialist book on the Liberal reforms 1906-1914. Written in 1978 it would have the benefit of hindsight and a wealth of research material would be available to give a well-balanced and informed opinion. By 1978 J. R. Hay would have been able to access the private papers of leading politicians at the time e.g. Lloyd George, and would also have been influenced by the works of other historians who may not have been politically aligned with the Liberal party. However, being written in 1978 a modern historian might have more evidence available.
- Interpretation 2 argues that reform was driven by a genuine concern for the welfare of the nation. Attitudes towards the poor had changed and as a result a new way of thinking dominated British politics and there was a desire to eradicate poverty and injustice.
- In analysing and evaluating Interpretation 2 candidates might argue that writing in 1997 the historian Edward Royal would have a wealth of information available following extensive research. The book is general in nature which may well mean that the historian is not a specialist in the reforms of 1906-1914 and has therefore not produced an in depth analysis of the period. However written 20 years after Hay, more information would have come to light through academic endeavours to see the Liberal reforms in the light the contextual long-term social and economic developments going back beyond 1906. Developments regarding the internet and local based history could have shed a different light on the reaction of the people to the need for reform and the motivation of the Liberal party 1906-1914.

- Candidates may show awareness of the wider historical debate surrounding the Liberal social reforms. In particular candidates should be aware of other interpretations for their implementation such as the fact that there were some general changes in attitude during the period and popular attitudes were beginning to be more understanding. Other views might focus on the need to bolster the health of the people, especially in regard to the outcome of the Boer War.

Overall candidates will analyse both interpretations using their own understanding of the historical debate over this issue, offer an evaluation of the validity of the given interpretations and provide a judgement on the issue in the question that the Liberal social reforms were largely designed to address the problems of poverty.

ASSESSMENT GRID FOR QUESTION 2

Target: AO3

Total mark: 30

Focus: Analyse and evaluate, in relation to the historical context, different ways in which aspects of the past have been interpreted

Band 6 CHARACTERISTICS Use 30 as a reward for the 3 candidates at B6		<i>Sustained and accurate analysis and evaluation of the provided extracts which is used effectively to show how and why different interpretations have been formed in relation to the set enquiry; sustained judgement seen regarding validity Holistic grasp – understand the issue set, the extracts and the wider debate: fully focussed on ATQS.</i>
B6H	30	The response fully integrates discussion of the content and authorship of both extracts together with knowledge of other possible interpretations to reach a valid judgement in relation to the view set in the question.
B6M	28	The response discusses the content and authorship of both extracts together with knowledge of other possible interpretations to offer a substantiated judgement in relation to the view set in the question.
B6L	26	The response begins to show some characteristics of Band 6

Band 5 CHARACTERISTICS		<i>Meaningful analysis and evaluation of the provided extracts to show how and why different interpretations have been formed in relation to the set enquiry; clear judgement seen regarding validity</i>
B5H	25	The response discusses the content and authorship of both extracts to offer a clear judgement on the validity of the given interpretation; shows clear understanding of other possible interpretations. We need a firm grasp of the OPIs and evidence of thinking on the day – all codes x 2 would be evident.
B5M	23	The response discusses the content and authorship of both extracts to offer a clear judgement on the validity of the given interpretation; shows some understanding of other possible interpretations. We can accept some formulaic reference but we need 2 x AUTH WHY to indicate how interpretations are formed based on Content and Authorship of the extracts.
B5L	21	The response begins to show some characteristics of Band 5. We can accept formulaic response at B5L provided other aspects are covered in both extracts.

Band 4 CHARACTERISTICS		<i>Some valid analysis and evaluation of the provided extracts with some knowledge of other possible interpretations to reach a judgement on the specific enquiry; needs a reasonable grasp of the OPIs</i>
B4H	20	The response discusses the content and authorship of both extracts to offer a valid judgement on the given interpretation and shows understanding of other possible interpretations. Needs some references to both INTS and at least one AUTH WHY and to show an understanding of the OPI(s). We can accept formulaic response at B4H provided other aspects are covered.
B4M	18	The response discusses the content and authorship of both extracts to offer a valid judgement on the given interpretation and shows awareness of other possible interpretations. Needs some reference to AUTH.
B4L	16	The response begins to show some characteristics of Band 4

Band 3 CHARACTERISTICS		<i>Mechanistic focus on the content and authorship of the extracts to identify and compare interpretations; should show awareness of other possible interpretations; any judgement will be limited</i>
B3H	15	The response attempts to compare the content and authorship of both extracts to identify different interpretations; will show some awareness of other possible interpretations; will offer a limited judgement on validity. A limited judgement on validity does not need a firm grasp of the OPI –just an awareness
B3M	13	The response attempts to compare the content and authorship of both extracts to identify different interpretations; will offer a 'bolt-on' judgement on validity
B3L	11	The response begins to show some characteristics of Band 3

Band 2 CHARACTERISTICS		<i>Mechanistic and formulaic use of the content and authorship of the given extracts only</i> Two ways to get Band 2 – either 1. Comparing INT 1 and INT2 or 2. Attempting to use ONE extract to address the issue in the Question set
B2H	10	The response attempts to consider the content and authorship of both extracts to show differences between interpretations OR the response considers the content and authorship of only one of the extracts to show an understanding of the interpretation in the question set.
B2M	8	The response begins to use the content of both extracts to identify some of the differences between the presented interpretations OR the response attempts to consider the content of only one of the extracts to show an understanding of the interpretation in the Question set.
B2L	6	The response begins to show some characteristics of Band 2. Use also if they just do basic comprehension of the content of the extracts - but not the AUTH - and make very limited reference to OPIs

Band 1 CHARACTERISTICS		<i>Copies or paraphrases from the content of the extracts</i>
B1H	5	Basic comprehension and paraphrasing from the content of both extracts
B1L	3	Basic comprehension or copying from the content of one of the extracts
	0	Use for incorrect answers