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History

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Additional Materials: Writing Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your name, index number and class on all the work you hand in. Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

DO NOT WRITE ON THE MARGINS

Section A

Answer all parts of Question 1.

Section B

Answer **one** question only.

Write all answers on the writing paper provided.

Begin Section A and B on a fresh piece of writing paper.

At the end of the test, fasten all your work securely together.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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Section A (30 marks)

Question 1 is **compulsory** for all candidates.

Study the Background Information and the sources carefully, and then answer **all** the questions. You may use any of the sources to help you answer the questions, in addition to those sources you were told to use. In answering the questions, you should use your knowledge of the topic to help you interpret and evaluate the sources.

(a)	Study Source A.	
	What is the message of this source? Explain your answer.	[5]
(b)	Study Source B.	
	Why was this source published? Explain your answer.	[6]
(c)	Study Source C.	
	How useful is this source to a historian studying Hitler's rise to power? Explain your answer.	[6]
(d)	Study Source D.	
	Do you believe what Hitler says in this source? Explain your answer.	[5]
(e)	Study all sources.	
	How far do the sources show that Hitler came to power because of his own abilities? Explain your answer.	[8]

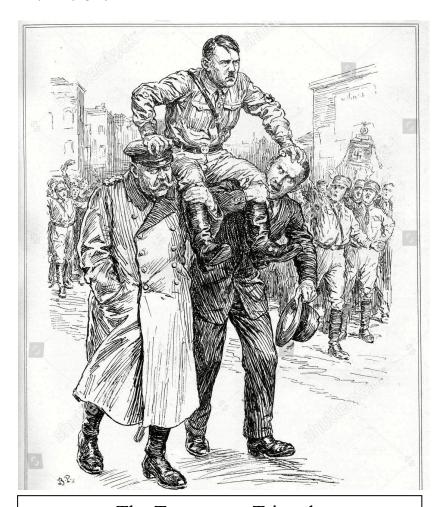
Did Hitler come to power because of his own abilities?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Read this carefully. It may help you to answer some of the questions.

Hitler was recognised as the Chancellor of Germany in January of 1933. From being a leader of an obscure and unpopular political party in the 1920's, Hitler was able to turn his fortune around and rose himself and the Nazi Party to positions of power. From his ability to engage the masses, as well as the aftermath of the Great Depression, numerous factors have been cited to explain this phenomenal rise to prominence. Which leads many to ask the question, did Hitler come to power because of his own abilities?

Source A: A British cartoon published on 8 February 1933, titled: "The Temporary Triangle". It shows Hitler being carried by Hindenburg (left) and Von Papen (right).



The Temporary Triangle
Von Hindenburg and Von Papen (together) –

"Let's Control him!"

Source B: The front cover of the *Arbeiter-Illustrierte Zeitung* (A pro-Communist Publication), published in October 1932, before the November elections.



^{*}Text in boxes are direct translations.

Source C: Description of Hitler's speaking abilities by Dr Joseph Goebbels in his book, "The Fuhrer as a Speaker", published 1936.

His ability to reach the masses is unique and remarkable. He speaks as confidently before workers as before scientists. His words strike deep into the hearts of farmers and city-dwellers. He speaks his heart, and therefore reaches the hearts of those who hear him. He has the amazing gift of sensing what is in the air. He has the ability to express things so clearly, logically and directly that listeners are convinced that that is what they have always thought themselves. The magic of his voice reaches men's secret feelings. He showed his hearers in a clear and simply way that the man in the street had long sensed, but had not found the courage to express. Hitler said what everyone thought and felt! He has the ability to call up long forgotten history and make those who hear him feel as if they had always known about it.

Source D: Adapted from Hitler's victory speech to the SA and the SS, after becoming Chancellor in 1933.

I have brought all of you together over these 14 years, which all the other political parties know nothing about, and this gave us the power to surmount everything. We were assailed; attempts were made to bend and break us by cunning and violence, and by everything imaginable. But by your absolute obedience to me, we have remained unbroken, remained steadfast. All we endured was but tests from which we emerged stronger than ever... If in the future you continue to stand behind me, in loyalty and obedience, no power in the world will be able to destroy this movement.

Source E: Account made by historians on the rise of Hitler to political prominence, published in 2000.

In the mid-1920s, the Weimar Republic did very well. Unemployment rate went down, the inflation rate went down. It seemed like Germans were going to be able to move forward with some relative stability and prosperity. Then came the stock market crash of 1929. And that was the beginning of the economic disaster.

What, in a calmer time, would have disqualified Hitler completely from being taken into the world of acceptability at this point gained and triggered support from segments of the population. In 1930, they won 18% of the votes— 107 seats....By July 1932 they won 37% of the votes.

In the three years between 1930 and 1933, when Hitler's vote was rising the fastest, the Nazi rhetoric was, what's wrong with this country is the system. The system is broken. The system doesn't know how to fix what's wrong with this country. They (Nazis) will fix it.

Section B [20 marks]

Answer **one** question.

2. This question is on the impact of British colonial rule on Malaya.

"British colonialization was a blessing for Malaya." How far do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer. [2

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3. This question is on the impact of Stalin's rule on the USSR.

"Stalin's rule was a blessing for the Soviet Union." How far do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer.

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Source Acknowledgements:

Source A: https://www.alamy.com/the-temporary-triangle-von-hindenburg-and-von-papen-carry-hitler-aloft-image155063342.

<u>html</u>

Source B: Retrieved from

https://www.reddit.com/r/PropagandaPosters/comments/8li452/the meaning of the hitler salute millions stand/

Source C: Retrieved from https://research.calvin.edu/german-propaganda-archive/ahspeak.htm

Source D: Retrieved from https://alphahistory.com/nazigermany/hitler-proclaims-victory-to-the-sa-and-ss-1933/
Source E: Retrieved from https://www.facinghistory.org/resource-library/video/hitlers-rise-power-1918-1933.

Source A: A British cartoon published on 8 February 1933, titled: "The Temporary Triangle". It shows Hitler being carried by Hindenburg (left) and Von Papen (right).



The Temporary Triangle Von Hindenburg and Von Papen (together) – -"Let's Control him!"

(a) Study Source A.

What is the message of this source? Explain your answer.

[5]

Level	Level Descriptors	Marks
1	Describing the source without making valid message	1
2	Valid inference, unsupported/unexplained. Award 3 marks for two valid inferences identified or for more developed description of inference.	2
3	Valid sub-message identified, supported with evidence OR explanation. The cartoonist wanted to send the message that the Hitler came to power due to the support of President Hindenburg and von Papen. This is supported by the cartoon which shows both men carrying and supporting Hitler on their shoulders.	3
4	Valid message, fully explained, with use of source details as support. Award 5 marks for fully developed answers, explained with source details AND historical context. Eg.: The cartoonist wanted to send the message that the Hitler came to power due to the support of President Hindenburg and von Papen. This is supported by the cartoon which shows both men carrying and supporting Hitler on their shoulders. This implies that Hitler rose to power through the two men. [4m] The cartoon was drawn after Hitler was invited to become the Chancellor at the end of January 1933 by President Hindenburg and von Papen as the latter needed the support of Hitler and his Nazi Party, even though his party did not win the majority to form the government. Hence the cartoon is drawn to show that Hitler came to power due to the decision made by Hindenburg and von Papan. The captions "Control him!" at the bottom of the cartoon implies that that the two men intended to control him and make use of him to pass the laws and policies in the Reichstag parliament. [5m]	4-5

Source B: The front cover of the *Arbeiter-Illustrierte Zeitung* (A pro-Communist Publication), published in October 1932, before the November elections.



b) Study Source B.

Why was this source published? Explain your answer.

[6]

Level	Level Descriptors	Marks
1	Describing the source without answering the question. E.g. Hitler had people giving him money.	1
2	Valid inference, without any evidence or explanation. E.g. Hitler had supporters who provided finanical aid to him.	2
3	Valid inference/message, with evidence and explanation. E.g. Hitler had supporters who provided finanical aid to him. The captions, "Millions stand behind me" and the man giving him a stack of cash. This suggests that Hitler was the support of the "millions" of rich and wealthy who not only stood behind him to support him but had also provided monetary /financial support to him.	3-4
4	Purpose identified, with evidence and explanation, supported with source details and historical context. Award 5 marks for purpose identified with weak explanation. Award 6 marks for clear explanation by using AMAO and historical context. E.g	5-6
	The poster was published by Hitler's political rivals/opponents to criticise Hitler's dependance on the rich businessmen and industrialists and to convince the Germans that (i) Hitler did not really have the mass support from all segments of the German society so that Germans will not vote for him during the elections. OR (ii) Hitler's rule would not benefit the majority of the German workers.	
	The captions, "Millions stand behind me" and "the real meaning of the Hitler salute" which potrays Hitler with his hand saluting backwards towards the man behind him whose giving him a sum of money suggests that Hitler was relying on the rich and wealthy for financial support. It is a negative potrayal to give Germans the impression that Hitler was being bribed and controlled by these men as the Nazi salute was in fact a plea for cash and that in return, Hitler, who was portrayed as a "little man" would be taking orders from the rich and wealthy. Based on contextual knowledge, Hitler had garnered the support of the rich	

industrialists because he had promised them that he would do all his best to prevent a communist take-over of the country so as to safeguard their interests. In return, the rich industrialists gave Hitler their support by financing his campaigns. This poster thus is aimed at convincing the vast majority of the German workers that Hitler would not be a suitable leader as he would most likely be siding with the rich industrialists rather than the German workers and to dissuade them from voting for Hitler in the upcoming November elections.

Source C: Description of Hitler's speaking abilities by Dr Joseph Goebbels in his book, "The Fuhrer as a Speaker", published 1936.

His ability to reach the masses is unique and remarkable. He speaks as confidently before workers as before scientists. His words strike deep into the hearts of farmers and city-dwellers. He speaks his heart, and therefore reaches the hearts of those who hear him. He has the amazing gift of sensing what is in the air. He has the ability to express things so clearly, logically and directly that listeners are convinced that that is what they have always thought themselves. The magic of his voice reaches men's secret feelings. He showed his hearers in a clear and simply way that the man in the street had long sensed, but had not found the courage to express. Hitler said what everyone thought and felt! He has the ability to call up long forgotten history and make those who hear him feel as if they had always known about it.

(c) Study Source C.

How useful is this source to a historian studying the rise of Hitler to power? Explain your answer. [6]

Level	Descriptor	Marks
L1	Useful/Limited in Usefulness, based on unexplained provenance only.	1
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	E.g. The source is useful because it is comments made by Joseph Goebbels	
	The source is ascial because it is commente made by cosepii coessels	
	OR	
	The source is limited in usefulness because it is biased as it is from a Nazi/pro-Hitler perspective.	
L2	Useful and/or Limited in Usefulness, unsupported.	2
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	Eg.	
	Source C is useful as evidence that Hitler rose to power due to his excellent	
	oratorical skills.	
	AND/OR	
	Source C is limited in usefulness as it fails to inform that Hitler also made use	
	of other tactics to rise to power, such as exploiting Germans' fear of communism.	
L3	Useful and/or Limited in Usefulness, explained and supported using	3-4
	source content, not supported with cross-reference.	
	Award 4 marks for both sides Eg.	
	Source C is useful as evidence that Hitler rose to power due to his excellent	
	oratorical skills. The source describes Hitler's oratorical skills as "unique and remarkable" with his "words [being] able to strike deep into the hearts of the	
	farmers and city-dwellers". He also had "the ability to express things so	
	clearly, logically and directly that listeners are convinced that that is what they	
	have always thought themselves." These descriptions of Hitler showed that he	
	was able to connect well with the audience and convinced them that he	

understood their needs, desires and feelings so much so that the Germans voted for him, believing that he would address all their concerns.

AND/OR

Source C is limited in usefulness as it fails to inform that Hitler also made use of other tactics to rise to power, such as exploiting Germans' fear of communism. / use of terror tactics./ disastrous economic situation, etc

L4 L3 + Useful AND/OR Limited in Usefulness, based on source content, supported with Cross-reference

Award 5 marks for both sides

E.g.

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AND/OR

E.a

Source C is limited in usefulness as it fails to inform that Hitler also made use of other tactics to rise to power, such as exploiting Germans' fear of communism. **Cross-referencing to Source B,** it shows that Hitler rose to power not just due to his oratorical skills but also due to the support of rich industrialists who were keen to support him due to their fear of communism. Source B shows the caption "Millions stand behind me" with a much larger man handing out a thick wedge of cash to Hitler. The source implied that it was the financial support of rich industrialists who helped Hitler and the Nazi Party to rise to power by financing their election campaigns and garner vast number of votes during the elections. According to contextual knowledge, many Germans, especially the upper-class and middle-class, were willing to support Hitler financially because they were afraid of the communists take-over would spell the end of their wealth and hoped Hitler would prevent this. This fear of communists was not highlighted in Source C, thus indicating its limitations to the study of Hitler's rise to power.

E.g

Source C fails to show other key factors behind Hitler's rise to power. Cross-referencing to Source E, It was also clear that Source C did not raise the factor of the failures of the Weimar government in addressing the economic problems that Germany faced during the Great Depression. It states that during the mid-1920s, the Weimar Republic "did very well" with both unemployment and inflation rate going down" During this period of time, the Nazi Party did not gain much votes from the German population. However the situation changed when the stock market crashed in 1929. It "triggered support from segments of the population. In 1930, they won 18% of the votes— 107 seats....By July 1932 they won 37% of the votes." The Nazi's percentage of votes increased rapidly during the 3 years between

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1930—1933, thus showing that the economic crisis caused by the Great Depression played a key role in Hitler's rise to power. Source D thus was too entirely focused on Hitler's abilities and thus limited in showing the significance of economic issues arising from the Depression in raising popular support for the Nazis.

NOTE: Students may cross-refer to Source A/B/E etc.

L5 L4+ Limited in Usefulness based on critical analysis (reliability) of the provenance

Award 6 marks for more developed answers that uses contextual knowledge

Eg.

Source C is useful as evidence that Hitler rose to power due to his excellent oratorical skills. The source describes Hitler's oratorical skills as "unique and remarkable" with his "words [being] able to strike deep into the hearts of the farmers and city-dwellers". He also had "the ability to express things so clearly, logically and directly that listeners are convinced that that is what they have always thought themselves." These descriptions of Hitler showed that he was able to connect well with the audience and convinced them that he understood their needs, desires and feelings so much so that the Germans voted for him, believing that he would address all their concerns. The intense appeal of Hitler was attested to by the evidence in Source E where Nazi rhetoric was highly effective and enabled the rapid rise of Hitler's vote from 1930 to 1933.

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(both sides L4) +

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Source C is a description of Hitler's oratorical abilities by his close Nazi comrade, Dr. Joseph Goebbels who was also the person in charge of using extensive use of propaganda to gain support for the Nazis. It is ultimately a biased source that portrays his biased pro-Hitler views. He wanted to highlight the positive qualities of Hitler as a leader who had the abilities to connect with the audience and understand their concerns so that they would look up to him as a savior/alternative to the existing problems Germany faced. However, while the source is indeed useful in showing that Hitler's excellent oratorical skills did attract large crowds and turnout during his rallies, it fails to acknowledge that the incapability of the government to deal with the economic problems was a much more significant reason that led to the sudden rise in support for this party. Furthermore, Hitler had used his oratorical skills to garner support from people as early as mid-1920s to no avail. This showed the limitations of Source C.

Source D: Adapted from Hitler's victory speech to the SA and the SS, after becoming Chancellor in 1933.

I have brought all of you together over these 14 years, which all the other political parties know nothing about, and this gave us the power to surmount everything. We were assailed; attempts were made to bend and break us by cunning and violence, and by everything imaginable. But by your absolute obedience to me, we have remained unbroken, remained steadfast. All we endured was but tests from which we emerged stronger than ever... If in the future you continue to stand behind me, in loyalty and obedience, no power in the world will be able to destroy this movement.

(d) Study Source D.

Do you believe what Hitler says in this source? Explain your answer. [5]

Level	Descriptor	Marks
1	Yes/No, based on unexplained provenance only.	1
	E.g.	
	Yes, I believe what the source says because it was written by a German economist.	
2	Yes, with support from source	2-3
	Award 2 marks for answers that are weakly explained	
	Award 3 marks for answers that are supported and explained	
	Yes, I believe the claim that Hitler was a strong leader who unified the Nazi party.	
	The source is a claim made by Hitler himself during his victory speech in 1933 that	
	he had "brought all of [you] together over these 14 years" and that "If in the future	
	you continue to stand behind me, in loyalty and obedience, no power in the world will	
	be able to destroy this movement". As he was the leader of the Nazi Party since	
	1924 and the party had remained loyal to him. Hence, it is believable that he had	
	indeed a strong leader who had brought unification and success to the party.	
	OR	
	2) The Nazi Party came to power solely because Hitler unified the Nazi party.	
	I have brought all of you together over these 14 years, which all the other political	
	parties know nothing about, and this gave us the power to surmount everything. We	
	were assailed; attempts were made to bend and break us by cunning and violence,	
	and by everything imaginable. But by your absolute obedience to me, we have	
	remained unbroken, remained steadfast. All we endured was but tests from which	
	we emerged stronger than ever If in the future you continue to stand behind me, in	
	loyalty and obedience, no power in the world will be able to destroy this movement	
3	Yes or No, supported and explained, using cross-reference to other sources.	3-4
	L2 Award 4 marks for answers that are supported and evaluined with cross reference to	
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	other source or contextual knowledge.	
	Yes, I believe the claim that Hitler was a strong leader who unified the Nazi party.	
	The source is a claim made by Hitler himself during his victory speech in 1933 that	
	he had "brought all of [you] together over these 14 years" and that "If in the future	
	you continue to stand behind me, in loyalty and obedience, no power in the world will	
	be able to destroy this movement". As he was the leader of the Nazi Party since	
	1924 and the party had remained loyal to him. Cross-reference to my contextual	

	knowledge, Hitler was a strong capable leader who had helped reorganise the Nazi Party and helped it to become strong. Hence, it is believable that he had indeed a strong leader who had brought unification and success to the party. OR No I do not believe the claim that the Nazi Party had come to power just because of his leadership abilities. This was an exaggeration as cross-referenced to Source E shows that other factors such as the Great Depression was responsible in causing the Nazi Party to come to power.	
4	L2+ No, based on provenance, explained and supported. E.g. L2+ (No): No, it was not believable as Hitler was making this speech after he had become the Chancellor. He was addressing his own supporters in the SS and SA. His objectives for this victory speech was likely to consolidate his leadership position in the Nazi Party by reinforcing the claim that the success of the Nazis was mainly due to his leadership skills and also because of the Nazi's absolute obedience to him. This is thus likely an attempt to exaggerate his own abilities and to glorify his own capabilities so that he could have the unwavering and continued support of the SS and SA, thus making the claim unreliable.	5

(e) Study all Sources.How far do the sources show that Hitler came to power because of his own abilities? Explain your answer.

Level	Descriptors	Marks
L1	Writes about hypothesis, no valid source use	1
L2	Yes OR No, unsupported.	2
	Award 2 marks for one Y or N supported by valid source use, and an additional mark	
	for each subsequent valid source use up ta maximum of 3 marks.	
L3	Yes OR No, supported by valid source use Award 4 marks for one Y or N supported by valid source use, and an additional mark for each subsequent valid source use up to maximum of 5 marks.	3-4
	Eg. Source C, D and E show that Hitler came to power due to his own abilities while A, B, and E shows that the rise of Hitler was due to favourable circumstances in Germany.	
	Source C, D and E supports the view that Hitler rose to power due to his excellent oratorical skills. The source describes Hitler's oratorical skills as "unique and remarkable" with his "words [being] able to strike deep into the hearts of the farmers and city-dwellers". He also had "the ability to express things so clearly, logically and directly that listeners are convinced that that is what they have always thought themselves." These descriptions of Hitler showed that he was able to connect well with the audience and convinced them that he understood their needs, desires and	

feelings so much so that the Germans voted for him, believing that he would address all their concerns. Source E further showed that Hitler rose to power due to his own ability because he was able to convince the German public that he would solve the Germans' problems. This is supported by the description that during the years "between 1930 and 1933, when Hitler's vote was rising the fastest" it was due Hitler and the Nazi using the rhetoric that "they (Nazi) will fix" the "system [which] is broken" when "the system doesn't know how to fix what's wrong with this country." This implies that during the period between 1930 and 1933, the existing government was not able to solve the problems that the Germans faced and it was the Nazis who, making use of their propaganda rhetoric to convince the Germans that they were the solution, which enabled Hitler to rise to power. (5m)

OR

Source A, B and E challenges the view as they showed that the rise of Hitler was due to favourable circumstances in Germany

Source A does not support the view. It shows that Hitler came to power due to the decision made by Hindenburg and von Papen. They appointed Hitler as the Chancellor in 1933. Hitler came to power due to the support of President Hindenburg and and von Papen. This is supported by the cartoon which shows both men carrying and supporting Hitler on their shoulders. This implies that Hitler rose to power through the two men after Hitler was invited to become the Chancellor at the end of January 1933 by President Hindenburg and von Papen as the latter needed the support of Hitler and his Nazi Party, even though his party did not win the majority to form the government. Hence the source does not show that Hitler came to power due to his own abilities.

Sourcee E does not support the view that Hitler came to power due to his own abilities. It showed that he came to power due to the failures of the government in dealing with the economic problems arising from the Great Depression. The source states that "[o]nly when things went economically wrong for the Weimar Republic did the Nazi Party flourish, and vice versa." and that "during the years of prosperity between 1924 and 1928, the Nazis as good as disappeared from the political arena". This evidence suggest that during the period when Germany was experiencing stability and prosperity, when the livelihood of the people were doing well, the Nazi Party, despite Hitler's efforts in re-organisng the party and reaching out to the masses, it did not gain much attention. It was only in the aftermath of the Great Depression that the Hitler and the party came to dominance. Hence, Hitler's rise to power was due to the external circumstances created by the Great Depression.

Source B seems to suggest that Hitler came to power due to the support of the large industrialists who was financing his campaigns and supporting him. Source suggest that Hitler rose to power mainly due to due to the support of rich industrialists who were keen to support him. Source B shows the caption "Millions stand behind me" with a much larger man handing out a thick wedge of cash to Hitler. The source implied that it was the support of rich industrialists who were supporting Hitler and the Nazi Party by financing their election campaigns which had helped them to garner greater number of votes during the elections.

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NOTE

Source E have evidence for both Yes/NO

L4	Yes AND No, supported by valid source use. Award 6 marks for one Y and N supported by valid source use, and an additional mark for each subsequent valid source use (based on reliability/usefulness of source) up to a maximum of 7 marks.	5-7
	Eg.	
	Both sides of L3 +	
	While Source C supports the view, Source C is limited in showing that his oratorical skills could only be effective only when Germans were willing and keen to listen to him and pay attention to him, in the years after the Great Depression, as the Weimar government was not able to solve their problems. As indicated in Source D and E, during the years of prosperity, Hitler's abilities had amounted to nothing.	
	+1/+1	
L5	L4 + Evaluation of extent/conclusion	8
	Eg. The sources largely suggest that Hitler's rise to power was due to a mix of the external circumstances created by the Great Depression and his abilities to make use of his oratorical skills to not just manipulate people's fear of the communism but also to convince and attract people to support him.	

STRUCTURED ESSAY QUESTION