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GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

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- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit
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 referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
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Rules must be applied consistently, e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

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Part (a)	Generic Levels of Response:	Marks
Level 4	Makes a developed comparison Makes a developed comparison between the two sources. Explains why points of similarity and difference exist through contextual awareness and/or source evaluation.	12–15
Level 3	Compares views and identifies similarities and differences Compares the views expressed in the two sources, identifying differences and similarities and supporting them with source content.	8–11
Level 2	Compares views and identifies similarities or differences Identifies relevant similarities or differences between the two sources and the response may be one-sided with only one aspect explained. OR	4–7
	Compares views and identifies similarities and differences but these are asserted rather than supported from the sources Identifies relevant similarities and differences between the two sources without supporting evidence from the sources.	
Level 1	Describes content of each source Describes or paraphrases the content of the two sources. Very simple comparisons may be made (e.g. one is from a letter and the other is from a speech) but these are not developed.	1–3
Level 0	No creditable content. No engagement with source material.	0

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Part (b)	Generic Levels of Response:	Marks
Level 5	Evaluates the sources to reach a supported judgement Answers are well focused, demonstrating a clear understanding of the sources and the question. Reaches a supported judgement about the extent to which the sources support the statement and weighs the evidence in order to do this.	21–25
Level 4	Using evaluation of the sources to support and/or challenge the statement Demonstrates a clear understanding of how the source content supports and challenges the statement. Evaluates source material in context, this may be through considering the nature, origin and purpose of the sources in relation to the statement.	16–20
Level 3	Uses the sources to support and challenge the statement Makes valid points from the sources to both challenge and support the statement.	11–15
Level 2	Uses the sources to support or challenge the statement Makes valid points from the sources to either support the statement or to challenge it.	6–10
Level 1	Does not make valid use of the sources Describes the content of the sources with little attempt to link the material to the question. Alternatively, candidates may write an essay about the question with little or no reference to the sources.	1–5
Level 0	No creditable content. No engagement with source material.	0

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	How far do Sources A and B agree about the power of the Tsar? Indicative Content Similarities include: Both sources show that the Tsar was under the influence of Rasputin. In Source A he is portrayed as much larger than the Tsar and this suggests he has more power. In Source B, the Tsarina passes on advice from	15
	 Rasputin to the Tsar to tell him how to run the war. Both sources suggest that the Tsar is a weak or indecisive leader. In Source A he has his eyes shut suggesting he is blind to what is going on or is happy to be led. In Source B, it seems that Rasputin has an opinion on every element of the Tsar's government and is used to offering advice and being heeded. This suggests the Tsar is not making his own decisions. 	
	 Differences include: The Tsar seems less powerful in Source A than in Source B. The Tsar seems passive in Source A. However, in Source B the Tsarina describes the Tsar as 'Lord and Master in Russia', suggesting he has ultimate control. In Source A, Rasputin's size suggests a greater amount of power than the Tsar. However, in Source B it is clear the Tsar has made changes and had discussions with his ministers which Rasputin was not consulted about. This implies the Tsar is powerful, having a mind of his own and making decisions as he pleases. 	
	Explanation The similarities between the sources could be explained by contextual knowledge. Rasputin gained influence because he appeared to calm the Tsarevich who suffered from haemophilia. The Tsarina was desperate for her son to succeed in Russia and this allowed Rasputin's influence to grow. There was a growing rift between the Duma and the Tsar's government. The Tsar took personal command of the army in 1915, leaving the Tsarina in St Petersburg. The government became very unstable and the Tsarina had a hand in dismissing capable ministers such as Polivanov (the Minister of War referred to in Source B) and replacing them with individuals such as Sturmer who was incompetent and corrupt (his name fuelling conspiracy theories about a pro-German plot at the highest levels in Russia society). The differences could be explained by considering the different purposes of the two sources. The Tsarina's letter makes it clear she wants her own way and is therefore careful to give the impression that Nicholas is most powerful. The poster, however, was circulated to discredit the Tsar and Tsarina and may be exaggerating Rasputin's influence.	
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Question	Answer	Marks
1(b)	'The Tsarina was responsible for the unpopularity of the Tsarist regime in Russia.' How far do these sources agree?	25
	Indicative Content	
	 Source B suggests the Tsarina was responsible. She encourages Nicholas to go against the Duma, sack the Minister of War and take advice on how to run the war from Rasputin. She also advises the Tsar to listen more carefully to what Rasputin has to say. Source D suggests the Tsarina was widely hated and controlled the Tsar and the government. She kept pro-German officials in place during the war against Germany which was hated by the military. Source A shows the Tsarina looking up to Rasputin, a sub message which can be read to support the prompt. 	
	 Challenge Source A shows that Rasputin is responsible for discrediting the Tsarist regime. He wields an evil influence over the Tsar and Tsarina. The Tsar could also be to blame in this poster as he has his eyes closed – being blind to what is going on. Source C suggests the entire government (Council of Ministers) is at fault. The Duma accuses the Tsar's government of stirring up trouble in the factories, failing to organise the country for war and suggests they are committing treason. The government is 'incompetent and evil'. Source D could support the idea that the Tsar himself is to blame being 'weak and hesitant' and allowing the Tsarina to have her own way. However, the main thrust of the source is against the Tsarina. 	
	Evaluation Source A was produced by an opponent of Rasputin and was intended to influence others to support their view. Knowledge of Rasputin's influence over the selection of government ministers, and cross reference to Source B, could be used to evaluate the validity of the point being made. Source B is from private correspondence and can be cross referenced to Sources A and D. Contextual knowledge could be used here to show how the Tsarina influenced the Tsar to sack Polivanov the Minister for War in 1916. The motive / context could be used to test the reliability of this source as evidence to challenge the prompt. Source C is from the Kadets, a liberal group which supported constitutional government and were frustrated by the Tsar's insistence on ruling through the State council rather than the Duma. The reliability of the evidence could be challenged by considering their motive or supported by contextual understanding. Source D, from a report could be considered reliable evidence as it has no motive other than to report what is happening. Contextual knowledge of the Tsarina's influence on the government, the Tsar's failings as a war leader or the state of Russia by January 1917 could be used to evaluate the source.	
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Question	Answer	Marks
Question 2(a)	 Read Sources A and D. Compare and contrast the views about the position of the South at the outbreak of war. Indicative Content Similarities include: Both sources suggest the South is in a stronger military position. Both mention the availability of guns in the South, with Source A mentioning that 'every village bristled with bayonets' and Source D 'the familiarity of the people in the use of guns'. Both sources stress the experience of Davis in military command which suggests the South is in a stronger position. Both sources mention the lack of industrial resources in the South, and the strength of the North in this respect, with Source A stressing the 'enemy rich in the means and munitions of war' and Source D 'In manufacturing, commerce and shipping the advantages lie with the Union'. Differences include: There is a difference over the level of support for secession within the South which suggests a divide which might be harmful. Source A writes that 'in some parts of the South there were fears about the wisdom of secession which Mr Davis did little to calm' whereas Source D writes that 'the Southern press was unanimous in its support for secession'. Source A suggests that the South was surprisingly well-prepared for war as 'Transportation companies freely offered the use of their lines of transportation and supplies' and the South had 'one hundred and fifty thousand small-arms of the best in the world'. However, Source D 	Marks 15
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Question	Answer	Marks
2(b)	'Lincoln was an able war leader.' How far do these sources support this view?	25
	Indicative Content	
	 Source A mentions that Lincoln 'worked hard to compensate for the lack of military experience so many of his commanders showed' which suggests he was an able war leader. Source D, gives a picture of the obstacles that Lincoln had to overcome and mention Lincoln's 'determination and vision' and the 'ability to make use of the advantages that the Union possessed.' Source C praises Lincoln for his undoubted efforts and personal skills and stresses his 'capacity, honesty, hard work and plain dealing.' 	
	 Challenge Source A claims that Lincoln lacked a plan of action and wasted opportunities. The source also that Lincoln had more advantages in terms of resources and this might suggest he was in a better position than his opponents rather than he was an able leader. Source B is the most critical source. It suggests that Lincoln is both irresolute and a coward for not properly punishing the actions of Frémont. Source C could be used as a challenge as it suggests that Lincoln tries 'with all his might' to understand strategy and naval warfare, but it does not indicate whether he was successful. 	
	Evaluation Source A: The source grudgingly admits Lincoln's political skill and strong support and it is not surprising that the source is very positive towards the south. Candidates could use their contextual knowledge of the economic power of the north which possessed raw materials and the ability to finance the war to challenge the rosy picture painted in the second paragraph. Source B: Contextual knowledge would suggest this source is largely accurate about Frémont, but the inferences that Lincoln was 'indecisive' and 'too much a coward' are personal opinions which the facts don't necessarily support. However, the correspondent was present in Washington at the time. Source C: The picture of Lincoln portrayed here suggests Lincoln is in difficulties but has the character and determination to succeed. This is not surprising as it is written by a Union officer. Whether the officer had direct, or indirect knowledge of the events commented on is not known. Source D: written towards the end of the war, Source D attempts to provide a balanced account. However, by this time (especially after Lincoln's reelection) it must have been becoming clear that the Confederacy was likely to be defeated.	
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Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)	Compare and contrast the accounts of the Long March given by Sources B and C.	15
	Indicative Content	
	 Similarities include: The success of the Red Army; in Source B, Mao claims that the Long March was a military triumph of the 'heroes' of the Red Army against 'a huge force' and a 'defeat for the enemy'. Source C also describes the March as 'a great exploit'. The importance of the Long March as propaganda is explicit in both sources. In Source B, Mao refers to it as a 'propaganda force' and in Source C, the journalist describes it as 'the biggest armed propaganda tour in history'. Also, the appeal to most of the inhabitants. This is shown in the references to 'the broad masses' who learned of 'the great truth' in Source B, and 'they were welcomed everywhere by the mass of the peasantry' in Source C. 	
	 Differences include: Source B refers to the 'untold difficulties and dangers' of the Long March, while in Source C it seems less gruelling with emphasis on the welcome from the peasantry and good provisions. In Source B, Mao is entirely positive about the success of the Long March, which showed the Red Army to be the 'only road to liberation '. In Source C, the American journalist is more balanced; while the Red Army 'won many new friends' it also 'made many bitter enemies'. Source B also shows the universal appeal of the Long March to 'the broad masses'. In Source C, there is a sense that the marchers were promoting class struggle and even exploiting their ability to terrorise the wealthier inhabitants. They destroyed land deeds and ate produce confiscated from the rich. There is also an exception to the welcome from the peasants in 'western Szechuan'. 	
	Explanation Source B is a report by Mao Zedong to a conference of Communist Party activists in 1935 looking back at the achievements of the Long March. He would not be expected to say anything negative about himself, but the source is useful to understand his view of the Long March. However, Source C is an account by an American journalist who lived with the Red Army for a few months in 1936. The journalist praises Mao's ability but also does not hide the fact that the army confiscated the supplies of the rich and destroyed land deeds. He had obviously been listening to the army stating 'the Reds told me they were welcomed everywhere by the mass of the peasantry' except for western Szechuan. The journalists' account would be based on the soldier's memories of the Long March which might account for the similarities between the sources. However, he also used his own observation of the reaction to the Communists and this might explain the differences in perspective between the sources.	
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Question	Answer	Marks
3(b)	How far do the sources support the view that Mao showed all the qualities needed to be a good leader of the Chinese people?	25
	Indicative Content	
	 Support Source B supports the view, as Mao is writing about his successful leadership of the Long March. This reveals both his military and propaganda skills, as the Red Army overcame 'untold difficulties and dangers' and influenced 'some 200 million people in eleven provinces'. Source C largely supports the view. The journalist describes Mao as a 'military and political strategist of considerable genius'. Even more notable is the way 'he expresses the urgent demands of millions of Chinese peasants' and can appeal to their wish for reform. However, to do this, he attacks the richer Chinese and thus makes some 'bitter enemies'. Source D mainly supports the view. The author indicates 'Mao is an inspiring leader' and explains he has 'political skill' as well as the ability to organise the areas where they are conducting guerrilla war. He also says that 'sympathetic observers' can point to many economic and social improvements. 	
	 Challenge Source A challenges the view, as it is critical of several aspects of Mao's character and behaviour. It asserts that he is not a suitable revolutionary leader, but that he aims 'to become Party Emperor'. Source D challenges, to some extent, that Mao is a good leader in its reference to the judgements of 'critical Chinese' that the Communist areas allow 'fixed elections, murder, sham education, and immorality'. 	
	Explanation Source A is very hostile to Mao as it was written by a group within the Communist party that challenged his leadership. The rebels were reacting to a purge of some of their comrades, justified by Mao on the grounds of their alleged divergence from true Communist ideology. The Futian rebels themselves were invited to meet Mao in June 1931, supposedly to discuss their differences; this turned out to be a trick to arrest and execute them. Source B shows Mao's own view of the success of his leadership in the Long March, which would become part of the cult of personality built around him. It is certainly true that both Mao's tactics and appeal to the peasants impressed many observers although candidates may question the sources unbalanced view.	
	The American journalist, in Source C, may be viewed as a credible source as the writer who spent time with Mao, and the Red Army, was largely positive about Mao's leadership. He indicates Mao's belief in class struggle here and shows it as divisive and so there is some balance to the account. The author of Source D was an American observer of the struggle for reform in China. His assessment of Mao seems convincing: he sees him as a political survivor, as well as a practical reformer, and candidates could support this view with reference to their contextual knowledge.	

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Question	Answer	Marks
3(b)	The credibility of his view is strengthened by the balance shown; he is aware that Mao also has attracted criticism and been determined to limit opposition.	
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