

EXAMINATION PAPER
ABERYSTWYTH UNIVERSITY
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IP12820: THE MAKING OF THE MODERN WORLD:
WAR, PEACE AND REVOLUTION SINCE 1789

Time allowed: 24 HOURS. You must submit your answer in a single document to the TurnItIn submission point before 12 P.M. (BST) the day after the examination paper is released. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Answer **TWO** (2) questions, **one from each section**

Section A (answer ONE question)

1. Why was Africa subjected to European colonialism in the last third of the 19th century?
2. The single most important factor in the transition from a European to a global balance of power between 1895 and 1914 was the emergence of non-European great powers". Do you agree?
3. To what extent was the outbreak of the First World War in 1914 the result of a failure to include Germany within the European balance of power?
4. Are historians wrong to think of the Cold War primarily in terms of US-Soviet rivalry over a divided Europe?
5. What were the most important ways in which decolonisation shaped international politics between 1945 and 1990?

Section B (answer ONE question)

6. How successfully did European diplomats prevent great power conflict between 1815 and 1870?

7. What was “new” about the approaches to international politics being promoted by Woodrow Wilson and Lenin at the end of the First World War?
8. What were the most important reasons for the collapse of the European security system between 1919 and 1939?
9. Do you think that international relations have become more globalized or more fragmented since 1945?
10. To what extent do the legacies of imperialism continue to shape British politics in the 21st Century?