SUBJECT:



MATRICULATION AND SECONDARY EDUCATION CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS BOARD

SECONDARY EDUCATION CERTIFICATE LEVEL 2023 MAIN SESSION

DAT		
TIM	1E: 9:00 a.m. to 11:05 a.m.	
Cho	pose any THREE sections out of five and answer ALL the questions in the sections you have cho	osen.
SE	CTION I – POWER AND PEOPLE	
1.	a. Mention THREE characteristics of a democratic society.b. Explain the THREE characteristics mentioned in (a) above.	(3) (6)
2.	a. Define the term decentralisation.b. Explain the term decentralisation with reference to local governments in Malta.	(2) (3)
3.	 Being a citizen of one of the member states of the EU entails both rights and responsibil a. Mention TWO rights that every European citizen has. b. Mention TWO duties or responsibilities that every European citizen has. c. How do the rights and responsibilities mentioned in (a) and (b) above contribute to t reinforcement of the concept of freedom in Europe? 	(2) (2)
4.	Identify TWO current problems to maintain the sustainability of the welfare state.	(4)
5.	Define the following terms: a. Xenophobia; and b. Mediation. (Total: 30 ma	(4) i rks)
SE	CTION II – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CHANGES IN EUROPE	
6.	a. Briefly explain the difference between primary and quaternary sectors.b. Give TWO examples of industries in each of the two sectors mentioned in (a) above	(4) . (4)
7.	Name TWO reasons why tourism is one of Malta's main economic pillars.	(4)
8.	The European Union has always looked outside its borders to increase its trade. Why important to maintain trade relations with other partners?	is it (5)
9.	Give TWO examples why transport routes are fundamental for connectivity and econ activity in Europe?	omic (4)
10.	Briefly comment on the relations between the EU and each of the following trading bloca. WTO; b. OPEC; and c. Lomé Convention. (Total: 30 ma	(3) (3) (3)

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SECTION III - DEMOGRAPHIC AND SOCIAL REALITIES

11.	a. Mention TWO factors that caused a decline in the population of Europe in the past. (2)
	b. Mention TWO ways how the current decline in the population of Europe can be counterbalanced. (4)
12.	Multiculturalism is a phenomenon that exists in all European countries, regardless of their size. Mention FOUR challenges of a multicultural society. (4)
13.	List THREE positive and THREE negative impacts of tourism on ONE major tourist destination of your choice. (6)
14.	The Industrial Revolution was a process through which manual labour was replaced by mass production in factories. a. Mention TWO important inventions of the Industrial Revolution. (2) b. Name ONE positive and ONE negative effect of the Industrial Revolution on the following: i. Workers; ii. Environment; iii. Technology; and iv. Internal migration. (8)
15.	Name TWO effects of unemployment on the society of a country. (4) (Total: 30 marks)
SE	CTION IV - EUROPEANS AND THEIR ENVIRONMENT
16.	Define the following terms: a. Climate change; b. Environmental conservation; c. Intensive farming; and d. Water scarcity. (2) (2)
17.	Identify TWO types of pollution, and describe the effects of ONE source of pollution for each type. (6)
18.	a. Briefly explain what is acid rain, and name TWO of its causes. b. Outline TWO effects caused by acid rain. (2)
19.	Farming has changed significantly in modern times. a. Name TWO farming practices that have increased crop productivity. b. Describe TWO negative effects of modern farming methods. (4)
	Describe ONE reason why it is important to ensure the environmental protection of the river Rhine. (2) Mention TWO possible effects of mass tourism. (2)

SECTION V - THE CULTURAL HERITAGE

22. Describe the impact of the following inventions on European societies:

- a. Printing press;
 b. Gunpowder; and
 (3)
- c. Steam-power. (3)
- 23. Define 'Colonialism' and briefly explain its effects. (8)
- 24. Explain why the Enlightenment is also known as the 'Age of Reason'. (4)
- 25. Name **FOUR** areas from Medieval Europe which were influenced by Islamic culture. (4)
- 26. On the script provided, match the following terms with the correct description:

The	The Beatles	French	The Parthenon	The Divine
Reformation		Revolution	The Parthenon	Comedy

	This building has come to represent		(1)
a.	the grandeur of Classical Greece.		(1)
	Characterised by radical political		
b.	and social change. Considered to		(1)
D.	have consolidated the principles of		(1)
	Liberal Democracy.		
	A politico-religious movement that		(1)
C.	signalled the start of Protestantism.		
d.	An epic poem penned by the author		(1)
u.	Dante Alighieri.		(1)
	Formed in 1960, this band is one of		
e.	the most famous musical groups in		(1)
	contemporary European music.		

(Total: 30 marks)



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SECONDARY EDUCATION CERTIFICATE LEVEL 2023 MAIN SESSION

SUBJECT: European Studies

PAPER NUMBER: IIA

DATE: 5th June 2023

TIME: 4:00 p.m. to 6:05 p.m.

Choose any **FOUR** questions from at least **THREE** different sections.

SECTION I - POWER AND PEOPLE

- 1. Identify and explain the causes and effects of the conflict in Northern Ireland. (20)
- 2. The EEC was a regional organisation created with the aim of fostering economic integration among its member states. Discuss. (20)

SECTION II - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CHANGES IN EUROPE

- 3. The COVID-19 pandemic had accelerated the growth of e-commerce with the majority of businesses increasing their online presence. Discuss. (20)
- 4. Rotterdam's Europoort forms one of the largest chemical industrial areas in the world. Discuss in relation to its site, organisational setup, and functions. (20)

SECTION III - DEMOGRAPHIC AND SOCIAL REALITIES

- 5. Migratory patterns are continuously changing. Discuss some of the push and pull factors that can cause the movement of persons from one country to another, and explain the impact of migration on the receiving countries. (20)
- 6. The Industrial Revolution in Europe, brought with it major changes to our ways of life. Discuss the causes and effects of the Industrial Revolution by making particular reference to the spread of urbanisation. (20)

SECTION IV - EUROPEANS AND THEIR ENVIRONMENT

- 7. An increased awareness on climate change has taken place over the last decades. The EU has been identified as a key player in trying to mitigate climate change. Discuss some of its effects and explain how climate change can be tackled by making reference to EU measures.

 (20)
- 8. Water pollution is both an environmental issue and a serious health hazard. Discuss this statement in view of water pollution in the Mediterranean Sea and European rivers. (20)

SECTION V - THE CULTURAL HERITAGE

- 9. The Renaissance period is considered a turning point in artistic, literary, and political development in Europe. Discuss. (20)
- As the last generation who has fought in the Second World War is fading away, so is our lived experience of the war. Discuss the causes and effects of both World War I and World War II in Europe. (20)



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e. Explain the role of Rotterdam's Europoort in relation to the globalisation of the European

SECTION III - DEMOGRAPHIC AND SOCIAL REALITIES

5.	a. Describe THREE causes for external migration in Europe.	(6)
	b. What is meant by the term 'ethnic minority'?	(2)
	c. Discuss the effects of migration on the receiving country.	(8)
	d. Mention FOUR positive impacts from having a multicultural society.	(4)
	(Total: 20	marks)
6.	a. What is meant by the term 'Industrial Revolution'?	(2)
	b. What important technological developments led to the Industrial Revolution?	(2)
	c. Describe FOUR effects on social conditions that were brought about by the pro-	ocess of
	urbanisation as a result of the Industrial Revolution.	(8)
	d. Apart from urbanisation, discuss the effects of the Industrial Revolution in Europe	
	(Total: 20	marks)
SE	CTION IV - EUROPEANS AND THEIR ENVIRONMENT	
7.	a. Name FOUR characteristics of a Mediterranean climate.	(4)
٠.	b. Describe THREE risks resulting from climate change in Europe.	(6)
	c. Mention FOUR solutions to limit the progression of climate change.	(4)
	d. Mention THREE measures, which the EU has adopted to fight climate change.	(6)
	(Total: 20	
8.	a. What is meant by the term 'wetland'?	(2)
٥.	b. Mention THREE characteristic features of the Camargue in France.	(6)
	c. Briefly discuss the reasons why environmental conservation efforts are impor	
	protecting the environment.	(8)
	d. Why are oil-spills in the Mediterranean considered dangerous?	(4)
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SE	CTION V - THE CULTURAL HERITAGE	
9.	a. Name THREE distinctive characteristics of Baroque art.	(3)
٦.	b. Name THREE well-known artists of the Renaissance period.	(3)
	c. Briefly discuss the importance of the Renaissance on the historical and cultural he	
	Europe.	(10)
	d. List TWO differences between Renaissance art from the art of the Middle Ages.	(4)
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10.	a. What is World War I also known as?	(2)
-0.	b. Mention and describe THREE causes leading to World War I.	(6)
	c. Describe THREE effects resulting from World War II.	(6)
	d. Explain why the Cold War is considered as a consequence of World War II.	(6)
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