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南洋女子中学校
NANYANG GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL

BLOCK TEST TWO 2013
SECONDARY THREE

ADVANCED HISTORY

Modern World History

Tuesday

6 August 2013

60 minutes
0800-0900

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your name, register number and class in the spaces provided on the answer paper and on the Cover Page.

Make sure you label your answers correctly.

Tie all your scripts together.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Answer **ALL** the questions.

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

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Total	25

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Source-Based Questions (13 marks)

Was World War I the main cause for the Outbreak of the Russian Revolution in 1917?

In answering the questions you should use your knowledge and understanding of the period to help you interpret and evaluate the sources. You must use the sources to which you are specifically directed, but you may use any of the other sources where they are helpful.

Source A: A government poster of Tsar Nicholas II as a Christian knight published during World War I in 1916.



Source B: A letter written by Alexei Brusilov, Russian military commander during World War I. He wrote this letter in 1916 to his wife after visiting one field hospital in the rear of his army.

Instead of the 200 patients, for which the hospital had been built, there were over 3000 sick and wounded men. What could four doctors do for them? They worked day and night, ate on their feet, but still couldn't bandage everyone...I went around several wards, rooms in vacated houses, where the sick and wounded lay on the floor, on straw, dressed, unwashed and covered in blood. I thanked them on behalf of the Tsar and the Fatherland, and gave out money and St. George's Crosses, but there was nothing more I could do. I could only try to speed up their evacuation to the rear.

Source C: Table illustrating the number of casualties suffered by different nations in World War I. Russia withdrew earlier in 1917 before the War officially ended in 1918.

Country	Total Mobilized Forces	Killed	Wounded	Prisoners and Missing	Total Casualties	Casualties as % of Forces
Russia	12,000,000	1,700,000	4,950,000	2,500,000	9,150,000	76.3
British Empire	8,904,467	908,371	2,090,212	191,652	3,190,235	35.8
France	8,410,000	1,357,800	4,266,000	537,000	6,160,800	73.3
Germany	11,000,000	1,773,700	4,216,058	1,152,800	7,142,558	64.9

Source D: An excerpt from a historian's writing.

Although Russia fought successfully against Austria, it could not withstand the relentless German invasion. In the summer of 1915, Germany occupied Poland, and by the end of the year it had seized western Ukraine and Belarus. The Russian army was plagued by shortages of rifles and ammunition...and by generally incompetent leadership. The political situation in Petrograd deteriorated in 1915 when, on Rasputin's advice, Nicholas II went to the front to raise the morale of the troops.

Answer the following questions.

Study Source A.

- a) What was the purpose of the source? Explain your answer. [6]

Study Source B.

- b) Does this source prove that the Russian leadership during World War I was inept? Explain your answer. [7]

Structured Essay Questions (12 marks)

- c) The New Deal failed to address the problems of the Great Depression. How far do you agree with the above statement? Explain your answer. [12]

THE END

NYGH gratefully acknowledges the following for the use of the sources:

Source A: http://www.dhr.history.vt.edu/modules/eu/mod03_1917/evidence_detail_15.html

Source B: Orlando Figes, *The Russian Revolution 1891-1924*, Penguin Press, 1996

Source C: http://www.pbs.org/greatwar/resources/casdeath_pop.html

Source D: David G. Rowley, *Exploring Russia's past: Narrative, Sources, Images Volume 2*, Pearson, 2006.