

# Advance information June 2022

## A-level History (7042)

### Version 1.0

Because of the ongoing impacts of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, we are providing advance information on the focus of June 2022 exams to help students revise.

This is the advance information for **A-level History (7042), 2S The Making of Modern Britain, 1951–2007**

## Information

- This notice covers advanced information for **7042/2S The Making of Modern Britain, 1951–2007**.
- There are no restrictions on who can use this notice.
- This notice is meant to support final revision.
- The format/structure of the papers remains unchanged.
- You are **not** permitted to take this notice into the exam.

## Advice

- Students and teachers can discuss this advance information notice.
- Questions will be drawn from one or more of the indicated areas of specification content.
- The information is presented in specification order and not in question order.
- Students **will** be credited for using any relevant knowledge when answering questions.
- Students **will not** be disadvantaged if solely using the areas indicated in this document. There is no expectation of knowledge beyond that identified in order to achieve full marks.
- It is advised that teaching and learning should still aim to address the entire subject content in the specification.

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## Focus of the June 2022 exam

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This paper will sample from the following areas of the specification content for **7042/2S**.

### **Part one: building a new Britain, 1951–1979**

#### **Section one: The Affluent Society, 1951–1964**

- Conservative governments and reasons for political dominance: Churchill, Eden, Macmillan and Home as political leaders; domestic policies; internal Labour divisions; reasons for Conservatives' fall from power
- Foreign relations: EFTA and attempts to join the EEC; relations with and policies towards USA and USSR; debates over the nuclear deterrent; Korean War; Suez; the 'Winds of Change' and decolonization

#### **Section two: The Sixties, 1964–1970**

- Wilson and the Labour governments: Wilson's ideology and leadership; economic policies and problems; devaluation; industrial relations; the trade unions; other domestic policies; Labour divisions; the beginning of the 'troubles' in Northern Ireland; the end of post-war consensus; loss of 1970 election
- Liberal reforming legislation: private members' bills and the end of capital punishment; divorce reform; the legalisation of abortion; the legalisation of homosexual relations; educational reform
- Social and cultural change: the expansion of the mass media; growth in leisure activities; the impact of scientific developments; the reduction in censorship; progress towards female equality; changes in moral attitudes; youth culture and the 'permissive society'; anti-Vietnam war riots; issues of immigration and race
- Relations with and policies towards USA, particularly issue of Vietnam; response to world affairs and relations with Europe; decolonisation including 'withdrawal East of Suez' and Rhodesia.

#### **Section three: The end of the post-war Consensus, 1970-1979**

- N/A

### **Part two: Modern Britain, 1979–2007**

#### **Section four: The impact of Thatcherism, 1979–1987**

- Thatcher's economic policies and their impact: monetarism; privatisation; deregulation; issues of inflation, unemployment and economic realignment
- Impact of Thatcherism on society: sale of council houses; miners' strike and other industrial disputes; poll tax; extra-parliamentary opposition

#### **Section five: Towards a new Consensus, 1987–1997**

- Fall of Thatcher and her legacy; Major as leader; economic developments, including 'Black Wednesday' and its impact; political sleaze, scandals and satire; political policies; approach to Northern Ireland; Conservative divisions

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**Section six: The Era of New Labour, 1997–2007**

- The Conservative Party: leaders and reason for divisions; reason for electoral failures in 2001 and 2005

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