



Hillcrest High School

GRADE 12

HISTORY P2

JUNE 2025

MARKS: 150

EXAMINER: Mr Moore

TIME: 3 Hours

MODERATOR: Ms Cope

Instructions.

This question paper consists of three (3) questions, and all must be answered.

Question 1: Civil Resistance in South Africa- The Crisis of Apartheid during the 1980's (Internal).

Question 2: The Coming of Democracy to South Africa- The Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC).

Question 3: Civil Resistance in South Africa- The Black Consciousness Movement during the 1970's.

- The sources are located in the addendum.
- Candidates are required to answer all THREE QUESTIONS in total.
- Questions 1 and 2 are Source-Based.
- Question 3 is an Essay.
- Every question is worth 50 marks each, therefore the examination script is out of 150.

QUESTION 1: How did Civic Organisations Mobilise Local Communities to Resist the Apartheid Government's Structures in South Africa during the 1980's?

1.1 Use Source 1A.

1.1.1 Name the Bill, in the source, that was introduced by the apartheid government in 1980 to create local government structures (1X1) (1)

1.1.2 Quote, from the source, TWO provisions of the Black Local Authorities Act, for black residents in townships. (2X1) (2)

1.1.3 List any THREE problems, according to the source, that newly formed civic organisations were meant to tackle (solve) in their local communities. (3X1) (3)

1.1.4 Comment on what is implied by the statement, '... addressing these (bread-and-butter) issues automatically drove them (civic organisations) to political issues', in their townships. (1X2) (2)

1.2 Consult Source 1B.

1.2.1 Why do you think this poster was created? (1X2) (2)

1.2.2 Explain why it was important for Dr Motlana to speak about 'The Role of Civic Associations' during the residents' meeting. (2X2) (4)

1.3 Study Source 1C.

1.3.1 Identify the organisation in the source that supported the rent and service complaints of the Thembisa residents in the 1980s. (1X1) (1)

1.3.2 Why do you think Jaki Seroke was detained by the South African Police officer (Van Niekerk) a day after Thembisa residents marched against rent and services? (1X2) (2)

1.3.3 According to the source, give any THREE stipulations of the General Law Amendment Act with regard to the treatment of the detainees. (3X1) (3)

1.3.4 Define the term, *rent boycott*, in your own words. (1x2) (2)

1.3.5 Explain why those opposed to the rent boycott were regarded as puppets of the township superintendent. (2x2) (4)

1.4 Read Source 1D.

1.4.1 Quote TWO reasons from the source why township residents in the Vaal could not afford to pay rent. (2X1) (2)

1.4.2 Using the information in the source and your own knowledge, comment on why there were many township councillors who resigned in 1984. (2X2) (4)

1.4.3 Explain the concept, *massacre*, in the context of the government's reaction to rent protestors in Mamelodi. (1X2) (2)

1.4.4 Why would a historian regard this source as useful when researching the apartheid government's reaction to rent boycotts in townships? (2X2) (4)

1.5 Refer to Sources 1B and 1D. Explain how the information in Source 1B supports the evidence in Source 1D regarding the protests against black local authorities in the 1980s. (2X2) (4)

1.6 Using the information in the relevant sources and your own knowledge, write a paragraph between ten and fifteen lines explaining how civic organisations mobilised local communities to resist the apartheid government's structures in South Africa during the 1980s. (8)

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QUESTION 2: How did the TRC Deal with the Murder of the Political Activist, Griffiths Mxenge?

2.1 Study Source 2A.

- 2.1.1 Who, according to the source, could come forward and be heard at the TRC? (2X1) (2)
- 2.1.2 Define the concept, *amnesty*, in your own words. (1X2) (2)
- 2.1.3 Why do you think that the hearings at the TRC made international news? (1x2) (2)
- 2.1.4 List any THREE mandates of the TRC, as stated in the source. (3x1) (3)
- 2.1.5 Using the information in the source and your own knowledge, explain why you think the Human Rights Violations Committee investigated human rights abuses that took place between 1960 and 1994. (1x2) (2)
- 2.1.6 State TWO conditions, according to the source, that perpetrators of human rights abuses had to meet before they could be granted amnesty. (2x1) (2)

2.2 Use Source 2B.

- 2.2.1 Why did the TRC decide to produce this poster? (1X2) (2)
- 2.2.2 Comment on why you think the TRC used the words, 'IF YOUR MOTHER WAS TORTURED, FATHER MURDERED ... WOULD YOU BE SILENT', on the poster in the context of the TRC hearings. (2X2) (4)
- 2.2.3 Explain the term *reconciliation* in the context of the TRC. (1X2) (2)

2.3 Read Source 2C.

- 2.3.1 Name any TWO killers in the source that were implicated (accused) in the murder of Griffiths Mxenge. (2x1) (2)
- 2.3.2 Why do you think that Dirk Coetzee implicated (accused) ANC cadres in the murder of Griffiths Mxenge? (2x2) (4)
- 2.3.3 Explain the usefulness of this source for a historian researching the murder of anti-apartheid activist, Griffiths Mxenge. (2x2) (4)

- 2.4 Refer to Sources 2B and 2C. Explain how the evidence in Source 2C supports the information in Source 2B regarding the call by the TRC for victims and perpetrators to appear before public hearings. (2x2) (4)

2.5 Consult Source 2D.

2.5.1 Identify any TWO perpetrators in the source who were granted amnesty by the TRC for the murder of Griffiths Mxenge. (2x1) (2)

2.5.2 Quote TWO reasons from the source why the TRC granted amnesty to the murderers of Griffiths Mxenge. (2x1) (2)

2.5.3 Using the information in the source and your own knowledge, explain why the Mxenge family was disappointed by the TRC's decision to grant amnesty for the murder of Griffiths Mxenge. (2x2) (4)

2.6 Using the information in the relevant sources and your own knowledge, write a paragraph of between ten and fifteen lines explaining how the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) dealt with the murder of political activist, Griffiths Mxenge. (8)

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QUESTION 3: Civil Resistance in South Africa During the 1970'S- The Black Consciousness Movement.

Critically discuss how Steve Biko and the philosophy of Black Consciousness mobilised black South Africans to challenge the apartheid government in the 1960s and 1970s.

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Total Mark- 150

