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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER JULY, 2009

TITLE OF PAPER

THEMES IN WORLD HISTORY BEFORE 1800

COURSE CODE

H100

TIME ALLOWED

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS.
- 2. ANSWER AT LEAST ONE (1) QUESTION FROM EACH SECTION.
- 3. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS.

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SECTION A

OUESTION 1

What do you understand by fundamentals of historical approaches? Explain.

OUESTION 2

To what extent did Mesopotamian culture influence the civilisation of the world?

OUESTION 3

Discuss the two schools of thought in Greek history that justified the successful invasion of Greece by Philip II of Macedonia.

OUESTION 4

What factors facilitated the rise and fall of Rome?

SECTION B

QUESTION 5

Discuss the events in the history of China that facilitated the rise and fall of the First Chinese Empire.

OUESTION 6

Why did Mohammed find it difficult to serve as a prophet in Mecca at the beginning of the Islamic revolution?

OUESTION 7

Discuss the factors in Songhay that led to the rise and fall of that state.

OUESTION 8

What were the early factors in the history of Europe that led to the expansion of European states beyond their boundaries before imperialism?