

EDEXCEL IGCSE History Revision Checklist: Paper 2: A4 The USA 1917-1929

Use this revision checklist to help you keep track of all the topics you need to revise for your exam. You need to have a confident grasp of the subject knowledge about each event. Try revising facts and key features about each event and recalling the key points and details on paper. Try to answer at least one exam question for each event. When you feel confident enough, progress onto the next event.

Key Area 1	Topics	You should be able to:	Checklist	Exam Questions	Checklist
Impact of the First World War	Economic Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the USA's position at the end of WWI • Explain how WWI benefitted the economy in USA • Explain the effects WWI had on agriculture & industry 	<input type="checkbox"/>	See pages 3-4 of Practice Exam Questions booklet	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Attitudes to Versailles & League of Nations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain USA's role in ToV and LoN discussions • Explain USA's response to ToV & LoN 	<input type="checkbox"/>		See pages 5-6 of Practice Exam Questions booklet
	Isolationism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain why USA pursued a policy of Isolationism • The effects of this policy on the USA 	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Protectionism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What Protectionism is • Why USA implemented a protectionist policy after WWI • The positive and negative effects of Protectionism 	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Key Area 2	Topics	You should be able to:	Checklist	Exam Questions	
Immigration	Attitudes to Immigration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify reasons for USA changing their attitude to immigration • Explain the change in attitude • Explain the reasons Americans were prejudiced against immigrants 	<input type="checkbox"/>	See pages 7-8 of Practice Exam Questions Booklet	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Policies Restricting Immigration	Explain the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency Quota Act (1921) • 1924 Immigration Act 	<input type="checkbox"/>		

	The 'Red Scare'	<p>Explain reasons for the Red Scare:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patriotism • Economic • Worker Unrest • Violence 	<input type="checkbox"/>	See page 164 of Textbook	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Sacco & Vanzetti Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detail key events leading to the trial • Explain what happened at the trial • Give reasons for the outcome of the trial 	<input type="checkbox"/>	See pages 166-167 of Textbook	<input type="checkbox"/>
Key Area 3	Topics	You should be able to:	Checklist	Exam Questions	Checklist
Prohibition & Gangsterism	Reasons for Prohibition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify groups in favour of Prohibition • Explain what the 18th Amendment was and when it was introduced • Explain why Prohibition was introduced 	<input type="checkbox"/>	See pages 9-10 of Practice Exam Questions Booklet	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Reasons for failure of Prohibition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define the terms: Moonshine, Bootleg and Speakeasy • Explain the reasons why Prohibition was unsuccessful • Make a judgement on the most important reason why Prohibition failed 	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Organised Crime	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain who Al Capone was • State the activities that Gangsters profited from during the 1920s • Explain reasons for the growth in organised crime • Explain what happened on 14th February 1929 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>a) What can you learn from Source D (p.169 of textbook) about Chicago in the late 1920s? (3 marks)</p> <p>c) 'America was a lawless society in the 1920s'. Using Sources A-D (p.168-169) and your own knowledge, explain how far you agree with this view.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Key Area 4	Topics	You should be able to:	Checklist	Exam Questions	Checklist
Mass Production & Stock Market Boom	Economic Boom of 1920s	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and explain the reasons for economic growth in the 1920s 	<input type="checkbox"/>	See page 174-175 of textbook	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Mass Production	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain what Mass Production is • Explain who Henry Ford is and why his company is important • Explain the effects of Mass Production 	<input type="checkbox"/>	See pages 11-12 of Practice Exam Questions Booklet	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Hire Purchase, Consumerism & Stock Market	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Define the term Hire Purchase Define the term Consumerism Give 3 reasons for the increase in consumerism Explain why the Stock Market increased in popularity during the 1920s Explain the term 'buying on the margin' Explain the role of advertising in driving consumerism 	<input type="checkbox"/>	See pages 15-16 of Practice Exam Questions Booklet	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Losers in the 1920s	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the groups of people who did not benefit from the boom Explain the decline in "old" industries Explain the problems facing farmers Explain the effects on these people 	<input type="checkbox"/>	See pages 13-14 of Practice Exam Questions Booklet	<input type="checkbox"/>
Key Area 5	Topics	You should be able to:	Checklist	Exam Questions	Checklist
The Roaring Twenties	Leisure Industry, incl. Entertainment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain the key features of the Roaring Twenties Explain the 7 key features that made up the leisure industry (eg. movies, sport) Give reasons why the leisure industry grew in the 1920s 	<input type="checkbox"/>	See pages 17-18 of Practice Exam Questions Booklet	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Morals & Values	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain the ways that morals and values changed in the 1920s Give reasons for these changes Explain what the 'Monkey Trial' was about Explain why this was an important trial in USA 	<input type="checkbox"/>	See pages 21-22 of Practice Exam Questions Booklet	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Changing position of women	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Define the term 'flapper' Explain the effects WWI had on women and their role in society List the new freedoms that women gained in the 1920s Explain how the position of women changed during the 1920s 	<input type="checkbox"/>	See pages 19-20 of Practice Exam Questions Booklet	<input type="checkbox"/>

Key Area 6	Topics	You should be able to:	Checklist	Exam Questions	Checklist
Position of Black Americans	Segregation & Discrimination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain what the Jim Crow Laws were • Explain the differences between Racism in Northern and Southern USA 	<input type="checkbox"/>	See pages 23-24 of Practice Exam Questions Booklet	<input type="checkbox"/>
	White Racist Groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain who the KKK were and what activities they participated in • Define the term 'lynching' 	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Garvey & Du Bois	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain who WEB Du Bois was • Explain who Marcus Garvey was • Define the terms 'integration' and 'separatist' 	<input type="checkbox"/>		