

## **HISTORY ORALS 2009 SESSSION**

Discuss the origins of the Cold War up to 1949.

To what extent was Berlin a focal point (center) of the Cold War?

To what extent had the policies and actions of the USSR caused a Cold War by the late 1940s ?

How did the USA contribute to the development of the Cold War between 1945 and 1949?

How did President Truman fight Communism?

What were the causes and consequences of McCarthyism?

Assess the strengths and weaknesses of the Eisenhower presidency.

Define and discuss de-Stalinization.

What were the causes and consequences of the Korean War?

Discuss US-Soviet relations during the Khrushchev era.

Assess the presidency of Lyndon Johnson.

What were the causes and consequences of the Cuban Missile Crisis?

Analyze the domestic problems and disturbances in the USA during the 1960's.

What was the historical significance of the year 1968?

To what extent were the Democrat presidents of the 1960's successful in handling the domestic challenges of their times?

Define and discuss Détente.

Discuss the foreign policy of Richard Nixon.

Discuss how American Presidents handled the domestic challenges of the 1970s.

Analyze Jimmy Carter's presidency.

Analyze the presidency of Ronald Reagan.

Discuss the changing civil rights movement from the Truman presidency to the end of the Johnson presidency.

Discuss the strengths and weaknesses of the French Fifth Republic, using the example of at least one President.

Compare and contrast British and French de-colonization, using at least one example for each country.

Which leader of the Soviet Union would you say brought about the greatest change.

Are the years between 1953 and 1962 better described as a 'thaw' or an escalation of the Cold War?

Why did the Cold War end?

What were the causes of de-colonization?

### **Geography Oral Questions 2009 SESSION**

To what extent can we say that certain southern countries have become northern countries?

Compare and contrast the geographical problems and assets of Russia and Brazil.

Using examples of your choice, discuss how development is achieved and measured?

Discuss what makes a regional power, citing an example you have studied.

Analyze the importance of multi-national companies (trans-national firms) in today's world.

How does the demographic situation of a country affect its development? Use specific examples.

Discuss factors that lead to international migration.

Discuss the significance of agriculture in the world economy.

“Salad bowl” and “melting pot”. Why have both of these terms been used with reference to American demography?

What are the main characteristics of US economic power?

How does the eastern seaboard (the Atlantic façade) contribute to the power of the USA?

In what ways do certain regions of the United States play a major role in the economic strength of the U.S.?

Analyze the demographic changes and challenges in the United States today.

To what extent is the Mediterranean typical of the global interaction between the North and the South?

What are the strengths and weaknesses of Europe as a world power?

What is the significance of the Rhine Region for Europe?

What do the different members of the Triad have in common?

Discuss the positive and negative effects of globalization

How does globalization bring us together as well as push us apart?

Is globalization synonymous with Americanization?

To what extent is East Asia a dynamic region?

Assess the economic strengths and weaknesses of Japan.

