

ESSAYS

- Many candidates demonstrated their lack of higher-order skills, e.g. interpretation, analysis and synthesis. This led, in many instances, to mere regurgitation of memorized content.
- Higher-order skills should thus be developed
- Strategies to change the teaching capacity of teachers will surely contribute to candidates' ability to acquire the said skills.

SOURCE-BASED QUESTIONS

Candidates, generally speaking, did well. The following, however, were matters of concern:

- Paragraph writing, using evidence from a source, obviously needs more attention.
- Candidates struggled to interpret sources correctly.
- They described sources in ways that did not correlate with the questions.
- They struggled to compare, analyze and give their opinions of the sources.
- They rarely made references to the source in their answers.
- Question 6 (The Cold War) was the least popular question this year. The ambiguity in the wording of the question could have been a contributing factor.