

Modern History

Section I (continued)

Question 3 (10 marks)

Assess how useful Sources C and D would be for an historian studying the Allies' approaches to Germany at the Paris Peace Conference.

In your answer, consider the perspectives provided by the two sources, and their reliability.

SOURCES C & D ARE ~~VERY~~ CONSIDERED VERY USEFUL TO HISTORIANS WHO ARE STUDYING THE ALLIES APPROACH TO GERMANY AT THE PARIS PEACE CONFERENCE

SOURCE C, WHICH IS ~~THE~~ <sup>WOODROW WILSON'S</sup> ADDRESS TO CONGRESS, CLAIMS THAT WILSON (CURRENT PRESIDENT <sup>IN</sup> 1918) IS OFFERING A PEACEFUL NEGOTIATION TO END THE WAR. THOUGH THE SOURCE IS PARTIAL TO THE AMERICAN ~~AND~~ ALIES SIDE, THE SOURCE IS STILL RELIABLE AS IT IS AN ADDRESS. THIS CAN BE USEFUL TO A HISTORIAN WHO IS STUDYING THE APPROACH AS THE ADDRESS ~~IS~~ CAN BE INTERPRETED AS A PASSIVE ULTIMATUM TO GERMANY. HISTORIANS CAN SEE THE PERSPECTIVE AND ULTIMATUM GIVEN BY THE ALLIES TO A GREAT EXTENT FROM ~~THIS~~ SOURCE C.

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SOURCE D ~~PROVIDES~~ ON THE OTHER HAND IS THE GERMAN'S RESPONSE TO THE ALLIES.

THE GERMAN'S RESPONSE WHICH IS AS RELIABLE AS THE SOURCE C DUE TO ITS ~~BE~~ PARTISANSHIP TO THE GERMAN SIDE. SOURCE D CLAIMS THAT GERMANY WILL COOPERATE WILLINGLY UNDER THE TERMS GIVEN BY THE ALLIED FORCES BUT REFUSED TO ADMIT ~~TO~~ TO BE THE <sup>SOLE</sup> INVESTIGATOR OF THE WAR.

THIS IS USEFUL TO A HISTORIAN AS IT ACCOUNTS THE RESPONSE GIVEN BY THE GERMAN. ~~IT~~ SHOWS HOW THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT RESPONDS TO THE ALLIED ~~RE~~ APPROACH.

IN CONCLUSION, BOTH SOURCES ARE RELIABLE AS EACH OTHER DUE TO THEIR PARTISANSHIP, BUT STILL CAN GIVE HISTORIANS DETAILED INFORMATION ON HOW THE ALLIED FORCES APPROACHED THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT IN PEACEFUL NEGOTIATIONS. IT CAN ALSO GIVE HISTORIANS THE KNOWLEDGE ON THE PERSPECTIVE ON BOTH SIDES AND THE GERMAN RESPONSE TO THE ALLIED APPROACH.

End of Question 3