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**UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK**

Summer 2020

**HI291**

**Britain in the Twentieth Century: A Social History**

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Time allowed: 7 days

Paper Published: 29 May 09:00am

Submission: By 11:00am on 5 June via Tabula

Answer TWO questions - Each question is limited to 1500 words.

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Assessment Guidance:

- You **MUST** read the supporting information on the History website:  
<https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/arts/history/students/covidexam/>
  - You **MUST** submit answers on Tabula by 11:00am on the deadline date (all deadlines can be found on the departmental exam timetable or on your Tabula assessment page).
  - You **MUST** ensure that you upload the correct answer paper to the correct module.
  - Your exam answer paper **MUST** include:
    - Student ID number.
    - The module code and the module title.
    - Clearly state which questions have been answered.
  - Answers should be a maximum of 1500 words.
  - Answers are not expected to include a bibliography or footnotes, however, if you have consulted any materials please list these at the end of your answers.
  - Answers should **NOT** include any significant amount of material already presented in **ANY** assessed work.
  - Where necessary, papers for modules affected by industrial action in the 2019-2020 academic year include additional questions to provide a full range of topics.
  - This take-home assessment is a one-year variance from the normal examination format due to COVID-19 and will apply only in the 2019-2020 academic year.
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1. Why has the concept of 'the nation' been called into question by historians of Britain in recent years?

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2. To what extent did Britain remain an 'imperial nation' throughout the 20th century?

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3. To what extent did the First World War bring about lasting changes to gender roles in Britain?

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4. In what ways has **EITHER** the growth of consumerism **OR** youth culture transformed British national identity?

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5. To what extent has gender **AND/OR** race shaped working-class identity in the 20<sup>th</sup> century?

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6. To what extent did the 'affluent society' of the 1950s depend upon the existence of a welfare state?

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7. Did Britain become a 'permissive society' in the 1960s?

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8. Has multiculturalism had its day?

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9. Is heritage culture essentially reactionary?

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10. How far back is it possible to trace the historical origins of Brexit?

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11. Is class in twentieth-century Britain best understood as a political relationship or a cultural identity?

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12. Did the emergence of new forms of mass culture help to unite or to divide Britain during the twentieth century?

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