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Introduction

The Definition of the Evaluation Domain (DED) ensures consistency between a course and the related evaluation instruments. The DED is used to select, organize and describe the essential and representative elements of a course. The DED is based on the program of study and the course, but should by no means replace them in the planning of instructional activities.

All the DEDs produced after June 30, 2014, by the Ministère de l'Éducation (MEQ) are prescriptive. Consequently, they are the reference documents to be used in the development of all examinations, be they ministerial examinations or those developed by adult education centres or by Société GRICS (BIM). The DEDs thus serve as a model for preparing multiple equivalent versions of examinations that are valid across the province.¹

Since the development of evaluation instruments for this course is the responsibility of authorized educational institutions, the prototype examination provided by the Ministère may be used as is, be modified or be used as an example for the development of new versions.

Any new version of the examination or modifications of the prototype examination must bear the logo of the institution that developed it.

At no time may the ministerial and prototype examinations produced by the Ministère be used as evaluation to support learning or as classroom practice exercises.

Furthermore, as set out in the *Policy on the Evaluation of Learning*, adult learners must know what they will be evaluated on and what is expected of them.² The DEDs, along with the tools and rubrics in the appendix, are recommended for this purpose.

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1. Québec, Ministère de l'Éducation du Québec, *Policy on the Evaluation of Learning* (Québec: Gouvernement du Québec, 2003), 47.
 2. Ibid., 9.

Evaluation Content

General Information	
Subject Area <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social Sciences 	Program of Study <ul style="list-style-type: none"> History of the 20th Century Course <ul style="list-style-type: none"> History of the 20th Century 1
Essential Elements Targeted by the Evaluation	
Subject-Specific Competencies <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Characterizes a historical turning point Interprets a social phenomenon using the historical method 	Categories of Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The items of prescribed knowledge are grouped according to the historical turning points and social phenomena to be studied.
Evaluation Criteria	
Evaluation Criterion for Know-How <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appropriate use of knowledge Evaluation Criterion for Competency 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coherent representation of a historical turning point Evaluation Criterion for Competency 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rigour of the interpretation 	Proficiency in Subject-Specific Knowledge <p>Proficiency in subject-specific knowledge presupposes its acquisition, understanding, application and mobilization, and is therefore linked with the evaluation criteria for the competencies.</p>

Explanation of the Evaluation Content

Evaluation Criteria

The evaluation criteria are stated exactly as in the course.

Information Clarifying the Evaluation Criteria

Appropriate use of knowledge

This criterion evaluates the adult learner's ability to perform intellectual operations (that is, know-how related to the key features of the competencies). The examination takes into account the following intellectual operations:

- Situate in time and space
- Identify differences and similarities
- Determine causes and consequences
- Determine changes and continuities
- Establish connections between facts
- Establish causal connections

Coherent representation of a historical turning point

This criterion evaluates the adult learner's ability to produce a description highlighting cultural, economic, political, social and territorial elements of part or all of a historical turning point.

Rigour of the interpretation

This criterion evaluates the adult learner's ability to develop an explanation highlighting major cultural, economic, political, social and territorial changes relating to a social phenomenon.

Proficiency in Subject-Specific Knowledge

Proficiency in subject-specific knowledge is assessed through the evaluation of the subject-specific competencies, using tasks related to the evaluation criteria.

Weighting

The weighting for the evaluation of the competencies is determined in accordance with the *Framework for the Evaluation of Learning* in general education in the youth sector.

Competency 1, *Characterizes a historical turning point*, and Competency 2, *Interprets a social phenomenon using the historical method*: 100%

Knowledge

The examination must cover the majority of the knowledge to be acquired for each of the two historical turning points and for each of the two social phenomena.

Historical turning points	Social phenomena	Knowledge related to the historical turning points and social phenomena
The First World War	European hegemony considered in terms of the intensification of imperial rivalries	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alliances and rivalries among states• First World War• Currents of thought• Organization of colonial empires• Economic organization
The Second World War	Crises and conflicts considered in terms of the rise of totalitarian regimes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Economic depression• Currents of thought• Political regimes• Political, economic and territorial demands• Treaties and alliances• Second World War

Specifications for the Evaluation Instruments

Examination: Number of Parts, Procedure and Duration

The examination consists of three parts that must be administered during the same evaluation session.

The examination evaluates the criteria *Appropriate use of knowledge*, *Coherent representation of a historical turning point* and *Rigour of the interpretation*.

The total duration of the examination must not exceed 180 minutes.

The examination consists of the following documents:

- the *Adult's Booklet*
- the *Document File*
- the *Marking Guide*
- the *Instructions for Administering the Examination*

Examination Content

Examination Requirements

The examination requires that the adult learner:

- master the historical knowledge and concepts necessary to analyze the documents and answer the questions
- analyze and use various kinds of documents appropriately
- perform intellectual operations
- produce a description highlighting cultural, economic, political, social and territorial elements of part or all of a historical turning point
- develop an explanation highlighting major cultural, economic, political, social and territorial changes relating to a social phenomenon
- provide complete, clear answers that present accurate facts

Part 1: Appropriate use of knowledge

The tasks evaluate the adult learner's ability to perform intellectual operations (that is, know-how related to the key features of the competencies). The various intellectual operations must be equally distributed in Part 1.

All the tasks must make reference to the *Document File* included in the examination. The tasks must target items of prescribed knowledge from the two historical turning points and the two social phenomena being studied.

The table below presents the intellectual operations and the behaviours expected of the adult learner. It also indicates the number of marks allocated for each of the operations.

INTELLECTUAL OPERATIONS	EXPECTED BEHAVIOURS ³	NUMBER OF MARKS
Situate in time and space	The adult learner must place facts in chronological order, taking into account chronological reference points.	2
	The adult learner must place a fact or a set of facts on a timeline.	1
	The adult learner must classify facts according to whether they come before or after a chronological reference point.	2
	The adult learner must identify the location of a geographical feature, a fact or a territory on a map.	1 or 2
Identify differences and similarities	The adult learner must identify a difference with regard to one or more points of comparison.	2
	The adult learner must identify a similarity with regard to one or more points of comparison.	2
	The adult learner must identify the specific point on which two historical actors or two historians disagree (divergence).	2
	The adult learner must identify the specific point on which two historical actors or two historians agree (convergence).	2
	The adult learner must identify differences and similarities with regard to historical actors' points of view or historians' interpretations. The historical actors may be individuals, groups of people, organizations or institutions.	3
Determine causes and consequences	The adult learner must identify an explanatory factor, that is, a fact that explains a historical phenomenon. The explanatory factor may consist of events, interests, objectives, influences, geographical features or actions.	2
	The adult learner must identify a fact that results from a historical phenomenon.	2
Determine changes and continuities	The adult learner must identify a fact that shows that a historical phenomenon changes.	2
	The adult learner must identify a fact that shows that a historical phenomenon persists.	2
	The adult learner must show that a historical phenomenon changes or persists.	3
Establish connections between facts	The adult learner must associate facts with manifestations of these facts or descriptions that are related to them. The facts may consist of actions, events, measures, ideologies, economic activities, etc.	2
Establish causal connections	The adult learner must establish a logical connection between facts.	3

3. The majority of the expected behaviours must be covered in Part 1.

Part 2: Coherent representation of a historical turning point

The task evaluates the adult learner's ability to produce a description highlighting cultural, economic, political, social and territorial elements of part or all of a historical turning point.

The task must make reference to the *Document File* included in the examination.

The table below presents the observable elements associated with the evaluation of a description. Details on the observable elements are provided in the Expected Behaviours column. The table also indicates the number of marks allocated for this task.

OBSERVABLE ELEMENTS	EXPECTED BEHAVIOURS	NUMBER OF MARKS
Identifies the topic of the description	The adult learner must identify the topic of the description. To do this, the adult learner must identify the historical phenomenon (e.g. a fact, event, period, situation or set of circumstances) to be described in relation to part or all of a historical turning point.	2
Provides details on connected elements	The adult learner must provide details on the connected elements related to the topic of the description. To do this, the adult learner must identify facts that are interrelated.	6

Part 3: Rigour of the interpretation

The task evaluates the adult learner's ability to develop an explanation highlighting major cultural, economic, political, social and territorial changes relating to a social phenomenon.

The task must make reference to the *Document File* included in the examination. The task in Part 3 does not relate to the same historical turning point or social phenomenon as the task in Part 2.

The table below presents the observable elements associated with the evaluation of an explanation. Details on the observable elements are provided in the Expected Behaviours column. The table also indicates the number of marks allocated for this task.

OBSERVABLE ELEMENTS	EXPECTED BEHAVIOURS	NUMBER OF MARKS
Indicates the elements of the answer	<p>The adult learner must indicate the elements of the answer. To do this, the adult learner must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> identify causes and consequences <p>or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> identify changes and continuities 	4
Supports the elements of the answer with facts	<p>The adult learner must support the elements of the answer with facts. To do this, the adult learner must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> identify facts that illustrate them, such as manifestations, actions or statistical data <p>or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> identify facts that explain them 	4

Role of the Documents in the *Document File*

The *Document File* is divided into three parts that correspond to the parts of the examination. The *Document File* consists of historical documents (written or visual), writings by historians, diagrams, tables, illustrations, maps or timelines. The following tables identify and describe the role played by the documents with respect to each part.

Description of the role of the documents for the questions in Part 1

The documents relating to Part 1 are presented by historical turning point or social phenomenon in the *Document File*.

ROLE	DESCRIPTION
The document suggests avenues for answering the question.	The document guides the adult learner in developing the answer by providing reference points in space and time, for example. The document may or may not be mentioned in the question.
The document places the question in context.	The document guides the adult learner in developing the answer by indicating the historical context referred to in the question. The document may or may not be mentioned in the question.
The document is part of the question.	The document provides the adult learner with information required for answering the question. The document is mentioned in the question.
The document constitutes the answer to the question.	The document provides information that enables the adult learner to select it as the answer to the question. The expected answer consists of one or more document numbers. The document is not mentioned in the question.

Description of the role of the documents for the question in Part 2

For Part 2, the adult learner must select only those documents in the *Document File* that relate to the historical turning point and territory concerned. The adult learner is instructed to select the documents first, before answering the question.

ROLE	DESCRIPTION
The documents contribute to the production of a description.	The documents guide the adult learner in determining the topic of the description. or The documents enable the adult learner to provide details on the connected elements related to the topic of the description.

Description of the role of the documents for the question in Part 3

ROLE	DESCRIPTION
The documents contribute to the development of an explanation.	The documents guide the adult learner in establishing the elements of the answer. or The documents enable the adult learner to illustrate or explain the elements of the answer (depending on what the instructions specify).

Information-Gathering Tool

The *Adult's Booklet* is the information-gathering tool.

Authorized Materials

No materials are authorized.

Assessment Tools

The questions in Part 1 are marked by referring to the answer key and explanation of the marking procedure provided in the *Marking Guide*.

The questions in Parts 2 and 3 are marked by referring to the answer key, rubric and explanation of the marking procedure provided in the *Marking Guide*.

Pass Mark

The pass mark is 60%.

Retakes

The adult learner must retake the entire examination.

Appendix – Tools and Rubrics

Part 1

The questions in Part 1 are associated with the evaluation criterion *Appropriate use of knowledge*. They evaluate the adult learner's ability to perform intellectual operations.

The following pages present the intellectual operations (in bold), the expected behaviours (in italics), and the evaluation tools associated with each of the expected behaviours.

Situate in time and space

- The adult learner must place facts in chronological order, taking into account chronological reference points.*

Situater in time and space	2 marks	0 marks
	The adult learner situates all the facts in time. (3 out of 3)	The adult learner does not situate all the facts in time. (2, 1 or 0 out of 3)

- The adult learner must place a fact or a set of facts on a timeline.*

Situater in time and space	1 mark	0 marks
	The adult learner situates the facts in time.	The adult learner does not situate the facts in time.

- The adult learner must classify facts according to whether they come before or after a chronological reference point.*

Situater in time and space	2 marks	1 mark	0 marks
	The adult learner situates all the facts in time. (4 out of 4)	The adult learner situates some facts in time. (3 or 2 out of 4)	The adult learner does not situate the facts in time. (1 or 0 out of 4)

- The adult learner must identify the location of a geographical feature, a fact or a territory on a map.*

Situater in time and space	1 mark	0 marks
	The adult learner situates the fact in space.	The adult learner does not situate the fact in space.

or

Situater in time and space	2 marks	0 marks
	The adult learner situates the fact in space.	The adult learner does not situate the fact in space.

or

Situater in time and space	2 marks	1 mark	0 marks
	The adult learner situates the two facts in space. (2 out of 2)	The adult learner situates one of the facts in space. (1 out of 2)	The adult learner does not situate the facts in space. (0 out of 2)

Identify differences and similarities

- The adult learner must identify a difference with regard to one or more points of comparison.

Identify differences and similarities	2 marks	1 mark	0 marks
	The adult learner identifies the difference correctly.	The adult learner identifies the difference to some extent.	The adult learner identifies the difference incorrectly or does not identify it.

- The adult learner must identify a similarity with regard to one or more points of comparison.

Identify differences and similarities	2 marks	1 mark	0 marks
	The adult learner identifies the similarity correctly.	The adult learner identifies the similarity to some extent.	The adult learner identifies the similarity incorrectly or does not identify it.

- The adult learner must identify the specific point on which two historical actors or two historians disagree (divergence).

Identify differences and similarities	2 marks	1 mark	0 marks
	The adult learner correctly identifies the point of divergence between the points of view.	The adult learner identifies the point of divergence to some extent or simply presents the two points of view.	The adult learner incorrectly identifies the point of divergence between the points of view or does not identify it.

- The adult learner must identify the specific point on which two historical actors or two historians agree (convergence).

Identify differences and similarities	2 marks	1 mark	0 marks
	The adult learner correctly identifies the point of convergence between the points of view.	The adult learner identifies to some extent the point of convergence between the points of view.	The adult learner incorrectly identifies the point of convergence between the points of view or does not identify it.

- The adult learner must identify differences and similarities with regard to historical actors' points of view or historians' interpretations. The historical actors may be individuals, groups of people, organizations or institutions.

Identify differences and similarities	The adult learner correctly identifies the historical actor whose position is different	and presents the two positions correctly.	3 marks
		and presents one position correctly and the other position to some extent.	2 marks
		and presents the two positions to some extent. or and presents one position correctly and the other position incorrectly or not at all.	1 mark
		and presents, at most, a single position to some extent.	0 marks
		The adult learner either incorrectly identifies the historical actor whose position is different or does not identify the actor at all.	0 marks

Note: An adult learner who simply identifies the three historical actors and correctly presents the respective positions of each without identifying the actor whose position is different and the actors whose positions are similar, receives 1 mark.

Determine causes and consequences

- *The adult learner must identify an explanatory factor, that is, a fact that explains a historical phenomenon. The explanatory factor may consist of events, interests, objectives, influences, geographical features or actions.*
- *The adult learner must identify a fact that results from a historical phenomenon.*

For questions requiring a written answer:

	2 marks	1 mark	0 marks
Determine causes and consequences	The adult learner determines the explanatory factor correctly.	The adult learner determines the explanatory factor to some extent.	The adult learner determines the explanatory factor incorrectly or does not determine it.

or

	2 marks	1 mark	0 marks
Determine causes and consequences	The adult learner determines the consequence correctly.	The adult learner determines the consequence to some extent.	The adult learner determines the consequence incorrectly or does not determine it.

For questions to which the answer consists of document numbers:

	2 marks	1 mark	0 marks
Determine causes and consequences	The adult learner determines the two explanatory factors. (2 out of 2)	The adult learner determines one of the explanatory factors. (1 out of 2)	The adult learner does not determine any explanatory factors. (0 out of 2)

or

	2 marks	1 mark	0 marks
Determine causes and consequences	The adult learner determines the explanatory factor and the consequence. (2 out of 2)	The adult learner determines either the explanatory factor or the consequence. (1 out of 2)	The adult learner determines neither the explanatory factor nor the consequence. (0 out of 2)

Determine changes and continuities

- The adult learner must identify a fact that shows that a historical phenomenon changes.

	2 marks	1 mark	0 marks
Determine changes and continuities	The adult learner determines the change correctly.	The adult learner determines the change to some extent.	The adult learner determines the change incorrectly or does not determine it.

- The adult learner must identify a fact that shows that a historical phenomenon persists.

	2 marks	1 mark	0 marks
Determine changes and continuities	The adult learner determines the continuity correctly.	The adult learner determines the continuity to some extent.	The adult learner determines the continuity incorrectly or does not determine it.

- The adult learner must show that a historical phenomenon changes or persists.

Determine changes and continuities	The adult learner indicates whether there was change or continuity	and presents facts that correctly show the change or continuity.	3 marks (or 2 marks*)
		and presents facts that show the change or continuity to some extent.	2 marks (or 1 mark*)
		and presents facts that show the change or continuity incorrectly or does not present any facts.	0 marks
	The adult learner does not indicate whether there was change or continuity	but presents accurate facts.	2 marks (or 1 mark*)
		but presents facts that are accurate to some extent.	1 mark (or 0 marks*)
		and presents inaccurate facts or does not present any facts.	0 marks

* The adult learner mentions a specific point in time that is either accurate to some extent or inaccurate or mentions no specific point in time at all.

Notes:

Each of the following is an example of a specific point in time: a date, a year, a span of time, a particular period or an event.

Adverbs such as *now* or *still*, used in place of specific points in time, are deemed to be accurate to some extent.

An adult learner who indicates that there was both change and continuity must present facts that show the change and continuity correctly in order to receive 3 marks.

Establish connections between facts

- The adult learner must associate facts with manifestations of these facts or descriptions that are related to them. The facts may consist of actions, events, measures, ideologies, economic activities, etc.

	2 marks	1 mark	0 marks
Establish connections between facts	The adult learner establishes connections between all the facts. (2 out of 2)	The adult learner establishes connections between some facts. (1 out of 2)	The adult learner does not establish connections between the facts. (0 out of 2)

OR

	2 marks	1 mark	0 marks
Establish connections between facts	The adult learner establishes connections between all the facts. (3 out of 3)	The adult learner establishes connections between some facts. (2 out of 3)	The adult learner does not establish connections between the facts. (1 or 0 out of 3)

OR

	2 marks	1 mark	0 marks
Establish connections between facts	The adult learner establishes connections between all the facts. (4 out of 4)	The adult learner establishes connections between some facts. (3 or 2 out of 4)	The adult learner does not establish connections between the facts. (1 or 0 out of 4)

Establish causal connections

- The adult learner must establish a logical connection between facts.

Establish causal connections	The adult learner provides details on the three elements	and correctly establishes two causal connections.	3 marks
		and correctly establishes one causal connection.	2 marks
		but does not correctly establish any causal connections.	1 mark
	The adult learner provides details on two elements	and correctly establishes one causal connection.	2 marks
		but does not correctly establish any causal connections.	1 mark
	The adult learner provides details on only one element or does not provide details on any of the elements.		0 marks

Note: Accept any equivalent wording if the connections established are logical and the adult learner's answer reflects the meaning of the answer provided in the *Marking Guide*.

Part 2

The question in Part 2 is associated with the evaluation criterion *Coherent representation of a historical turning point*. This criterion evaluates the adult learner's ability to produce a description highlighting cultural, economic, political, social and territorial elements of part or all of a historical turning point.

Rubric

Criterion: *Coherent representation of a historical turning point*

Identifies the topic of the description					
The adult learner identifies the topic correctly.		The adult learner identifies the topic to some extent.		The adult learner identifies the topic incorrectly or does not identify it.	
2 marks		1 mark		0 marks	
Provides details on connected elements					
First connection	The adult learner provides details on the central element	and provides details on the other two elements.		3 marks	
		and provides details on one of the other two elements.		2 marks	
		but does not provide details on the other two elements.		1 mark	
	The adult learner does not provide details on the central element	but provides details on the other two elements.		1 mark	
		but provides details on one of the other two elements or does not provide any details.		0 marks	
Second connection	The adult learner provides details on the central element	and provides details on the other two elements.		3 marks	
		and provides details on one of the other two elements.		2 marks	
		but does not provide details on the other two elements.		1 mark	
	The adult learner does not provide details on the central element	but provides details on the other two elements.		1 mark	
		but provides details on one of the other two elements or does not provide any details.		0 marks	
Total					

Part 3

The question in Part 3 is associated with the evaluation criterion *Rigour of the interpretation*. This criterion evaluates the adult learner's ability to develop an explanation highlighting major cultural, economic, political, social and territorial changes relating to a social phenomenon.

Rubric Criterion: *Rigour of the interpretation*

	Indicates the elements of the answer	Supports the elements of the answer with facts	
First element of the answer	correctly. 2 marks	sufficiently. 2 marks	/4
	The adult learner indicates the element	The adult learner supports the element	
	to some extent. 1 mark	to some extent. 1 mark	
		insufficiently. 0 marks	
Second element of the answer	The adult learner indicates the element incorrectly or does not indicate it. 0 marks	The adult learner presents facts that are	/4
		accurate and relevant. 1 mark	
		inaccurate. 0 marks	
Total			/8

