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| **Decode the question****The role of the People’s Liberation Army (PLA) was the key factor in establishing communist rule in China in the years 1949–57’. How far do you agree with this view?** |
| **State your argument** | **Paragraph focus and opening point** | **Identify your pieces of evidence including however point** |
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| **Decode the question****‘The use of terror and violence was the most important factor in Mao’s consolidation of his regime, 1949-57? How far do you agree with this statement?**  |
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| **Decode the question****How accurate is it to say that the authority of the Communist government was imposed mainly through the use of force?** |
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| **Decode the question****‘The biggest challenges facing the CCP when they came to power in 1949 were economic.’ How far do you agree with this statement?** |
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| **Decode the question****The Korean War was a great success for China.’ How far do you agree?** |
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| **Decode the question****How accurate is it to say that Mao launched the Hundred Flowers campaign in 1957 in order to destroy opposition to his rule?**  |
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| **Decode the question****‘The 100 flowers campaign of 1957 was the most significant of Mao’s campaigns against his political opponents in the years 1949 – 62’ How far do you agree with this statement?\*** |
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| **Decode the question****How accurate is it to say that industrial and agricultural policies were successful in the years 1952-57?** |
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| **Decode the question****To what extent did the First Five Year Plan 1952-6 lead to the modernisation of the Chinese economy? (*Essential to define modernisation in the introduction e.g. industrialisation, greater economic efficiency and production of high tech goods)*** |
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| **Decode the question****How accurate is it to say that the Great Leap Forward in agriculture was a catastrophe for the Chinese people?** |
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| **Decode the question****How accurate is it to state that, as far as industry was concerned, the first five year plan was a success and the second five year plan was a failure?** **(*This question requires you to assess the relative success of each of these five year plans, so you need to ensure you examine positive and negative features of each. You cannot do this effectively unless you establish the criteria on which you can judge them, so make these clear at the outset: meeting targets, increasing output of key goods etc.)*** |
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| **Decode the question****How accurate is it to say that Chinese industry underwent a major transformation in the years 1949–62? (*Need to consider 1st and 2nd FYPs and also refer to years 1949 -52)*** |
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| **Decode the question****How far do you agree that the Chinese economy was transformed in the years 1949–62? (*Need to consider 1st and 2nd FYPs and also refer to years 1949 -52. Refer to both Industry and Agriculture)*** |
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| **Decode the question****To what extent was the famine of 1958-62 caused by government policies?** |
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| **Decode the question****How accurate is it to say that Mao’s main motives for launching the Cultural Revolution in 1966 were ideological rather than political?** |
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| **Decode the question****How accurate is it to say that the main consequences of the Cultural Revolution was the destruction of traditional Chinese culture?** |
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| **Decode the question****To what extent did the lives of the Chinese people improve in the period 1949-57? (*Wide ranging question – need to consider living standards and other economic factors as well as impact of social policies on women, education, health etc.)*** |
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| **Decode the question****To what extent were Mao’s social policies successful between 1950 and 1976? (*Be careful to stick to social policies (policies targeting specific groups in society – women, young people, religious minorities etc. Good answers will establish at the outset how ‘success’ can be judged.)*** |
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| **Decode the question** **To what extent did Mao Zedong’s social policies improve health and education provision in the years 1949-76?** |
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| **Decode the question****‘The position of women in China improved radically in the years 1950-1976. ‘How far do you agree with this statement?** |
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| **Decode the question****How far did the role and status of women change in the period 1949-65?** |
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| **Decode the question****How far did the CCP successfully replace traditional attitudes and beliefs in the period 1965-76?** |
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| **Decode the question** **‘The most important cause of Mao’s personal political prestige was his use of propaganda.’ How far do you agree with this statement?** |
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| **Decode the question****How far was Communist power in China primarily consolidated through terror?** |
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