

ASIAN AND MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES TRIPOS, PART II

Chinese Studies

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Wednesday 6 June 2012      9.00-12.00

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**C.18 CHINA AND WARFARE**

Answer *three* questions. All questions are of *equal* value.

Write your number *not* your name on the cover sheet of *each* Answer book.

**STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS**

20 Page Answer Book x 1  
Rough Work Pad

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

None

**You may not start to read the questions  
printed on the subsequent pages of this  
question paper until instructed that you may  
do so by the Invigilator.**

Answer **three** of the following questions.

1. Assess the Qing's strategy in defeating the Taiping Rebels.
2. How important was the Ever Victorious Army to the victory of the Qing during the Taiping Rebellion?
3. Explain the rise to power of Li Hongzhang.
4. Explain Japan's victory during the Sino-Japanese War of 1894-5.
5. In what ways did the Prussian military shape military reform in China?
6. Analyse the impact of geography on the conduct of war after 1850 in Europe and in China.
7. Assess the validity of Arthur Waldron's argument that the Second Fengtian-Zhili War led to the rise of the Chinese nationalists.
8. How important was foreign assistance to China during the War of Resistance?
9. Assess Nationalist strategy during the War of Resistance from the Marco Polo Bridge Incident until the fall of Wuhan.
10. How have the legacies of the War of Resistance shaped the People's Republic of China?

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