Reminder - you must answer ONE question from a choice of TWO in your exam for this section of Paper 2. Do not assume rise to power questions will always come up – you must be able to answer the questions from the three areas of the document.

As questions do not have a set dictator associated with them, there are no content specific mark schemes from the IB associated with this topic on the exam (they are just graded using the descriptors)

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| **RISE TO POWER QUESTIONS:****1. Examine the importance of each of the following in the rise to power of one authoritarian leader: popular support for their aims; underestimation by opponents; economic conditions.****2. To what extent did two single-party rulers, each chosen from a different region, fulfil the promises made during their rise to power?****3. “Ideological appeal was less important than social and economic distress in the rise to power of single-party leaders.” With reference to two single-party leaders, each chosen from a different region, to what extent do you agree with this statement?****4. “Their rise to power was made possible because of the failure of existing governments to deal with economic and political problems.” With reference to two single-party leaders, to what extent do you agree with this statement?****5. Assess the contribution of economic instability and lack of a united opposition to the rise to power of two leaders of single-party states, each chosen from a different region.****6. Analyse the reasons why one ruler of one single party state came to power** |
| **CONSOLIDATION & MAINTENANCE OF POWER QUESTIONS****1. “The use of force was the most important factor in the maintenance of power of the authoritarian or single-party leader.” With reference to two authoritarian or single-party leaders, to what extent do you agree with this statement?****2.** **Assess the extent to which ideological appeal aided the rise and rule of one of one leader of a single party state.****3. By what methods, and with what success, did one single-party leader try to eliminate domestic opposition?****4. With reference to two authoritarian or single-party states, each chosen from a different region, evaluate the effectiveness of the methods used to deal with opposition.****5. To what extent was a successful domestic policy the reason for the maintenance of power of one of authoritarian leader.****6. Describe how and why propaganda was used in two single-party states, each chosen from a different region.** |
| **DOMESTIC POLICIES**1. **In what ways, and with what results, was the status of women affected by the policies of either Hitler or Mao?****2. Analyse the impact of single-party rule upon the arts in two single-party states, each chosen from a different region.****3. Compare and contrast the economic and social policies of two of the Mao and Hitler****4. Analyse the impact of single-party rule upon minorities in two single-party states, each chosen from a different region.****5. Compare and contrast the treatment of religious groups and minorities in two authoritarian or single-party states, each chosen from a different region.****6. Assess the significance of youth and educational policies in a single party state.** |
| **TOTALITARIANISM****1. Analyse the methods used by one single-party ruler to establish totalitarian control.****2. Assess the importance of the use of force for the establishment of totalitarian control with reference to the leaders of two single party states.****3. Define “totalitarianism” and assess the extent to which it was achieved in Hitler’s Germany.** |