

**STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI 600 086**  
**(For candidates admitted during the academic year 2009 – 10)**  
**SUBJECT CODE: IS/PC/IH14**

**M. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2009**  
**BRANCH II (E) - INTERNATIONAL STUDIES**  
**FIRST SEMESTER**

**COURSE : MAJOR – CORE**  
**PAPER : INTERNATIONAL HISTORY 1648 - 1945**

**TIME : 3 HOURS** **MAX. MARKS: 100**

**SECTION – A**

**ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 300 WORDS:** ( 5 X 8 = 40 )

1. Discuss the commonalities of the major European countries involved in the Commercial and colonial rivalry.
2. Describe the innovations made during the industrial revolution in agriculture, manufacturing, mining, and transport.
3. Examine the causes for the American War of independence.
4. Why the Congress of Vienna was convened? Evaluate its outcome.
5. 'Italy is not a nation but a geographical expression' Metternich. Explain the statement in the context of unification of Italy.
6. What made US to enter the First World War? And comment on the role played by 'Big Four' in the peace process.
7. Give reasons for the failure of the 'League of Nations'.
8. Explain 'Collective Security' that emerged after the II world war.

**SECTION – B**

**ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 1500 WORDS:** ( 3 X 20 = 60 )

9. The terms of the peace of Westphalia, 1648 may considered under three headings – Religious, territorial and Constitutional – Substantiate.
10. Narrate the events and processes that established Nation – States after the revolutions.
11. How was the unification of Germany achieved? And highlight the role played by Bismarck.
12. Evaluate the role of the Allies in defeating the central powers in the World War I.
13. Explain the significance of the Atlantic Charter, Yalta, Potsdam and San Francisco Conferences.

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