

Exercise walk-through

Global Economic Crisis ■ 8.5

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You must be able to

- state the CED's causes of the Depression
- state its two political effects
- explain why the CED faults theories as well as practices
- connect the crisis to 8.6

Method — Causes

The Great Depression was caused by **weaknesses in international trade and monetary theories and practices** — the CED faults the ideas as well as the arrangements, which is a rare and useful move.

Method — Political effects

It **undermined** Western European democracies and **fomented** radical political responses throughout Europe. “Undermined” describes a weakening, not a universal collapse.

Method — Faulting theories

If the doctrines governments held made the crisis worse, then an economic crisis has an intellectual cause, and 6.9's shifting liberalism becomes part of the story.

Method — Link to 8.6

8.6 names **economic instability** among the conditions in which fascism gained popularity, so this subtopic is a named cause of the next.

Practice 2.1 ■ 2 marks

State the CED's causes of the Depression.

Solution 2.1

Method: Causes

Worked steps

weaknesses in international trade **B1**; weaknesses in monetary theories and practices **B1**.

Practice 2.2 ■ 2 marks

State its two political effects and the force of “undermined”.

Solution 2.2

Method: Political effects

Worked steps

it undermined Western European democracies and fomented radical political responses **B1**; “undermined” describes weakening rather than universal collapse **B1**.

Practice 2.3 ■ 1 mark

The CED faults theories as well as practices.

- (a) State what this permits an answer to say.
- (b) State the link to 8.6.

Solution 2.3

Method: Causes

Worked steps

(a) that the doctrines governments held made the crisis worse **B1**. (b) 8.6 names economic instability among the conditions for fascism **B1**.

Exam-style 3.1 ■ 1 mark

“Undermined Western European democracies” describes

A universal collapse

B a weakening

C strengthening

D no effect

Solution 3.1

Method: Political effects

A universal collapse

B a weakening 

C strengthening

D no effect

Worked steps

B. some democracies survived the decade.

Exam-style 3.2 ■ 1 mark

The CED says the Depression fomented

- A** economic recovery
- B** radical political responses
- C** disarmament
- D** the Concert of Europe

Solution 3.2

- A economic recovery
- B radical political responses**
- C disarmament
- D the Concert of Europe



Worked steps

B. radical responses are the CED's term.

Exam-style 3.3 ■ 1 mark

A government responds to falling revenue by cutting spending, and demand falls further.

- (a) State what is at fault.
- (b) Explain how this fits the CED's phrasing.

Solution 3.3

Worked steps

(a) the doctrine directing the response **B1**. (b) the CED faults monetary theories as well as practices **B1**, so a policy failure of this kind is exactly what the phrasing covers **B1**.