

Exercise walk-through

Developments in South and Southeast Asia from c. 1200 to c. 1450 ■ 1.3

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You must be able to

- name the three belief systems the CED lists for the region
- state what 'continued to shape' claims
- state the CED's three-word formula for state formation
- explain why the region hosts new Hindu AND Buddhist states

Method — Three systems

Hinduism, Islam and Buddhism, and their core beliefs and practices, continued to shape societies in South and Southeast Asia. Three, in one region, at the same time.

Method — 'Continued to shape'

A continuity claim: these systems were already present and remained influential. The CED is not describing arrival but persistence.

Method — The formula

State formation and development demonstrated **continuity, innovation and diversity**.
The same three words appear for East Asia, the Americas and Africa — they are the unit's comparative frame.

Method — New states

The CED specifies **the new Hindu and Buddhist states that emerged in South and Southeast Asia**. New states inside old traditions is precisely what 'continuity, innovation and diversity' names.

Practice 2.1 ■ 2 marks

Name the three belief systems and state the CED's verb.

Solution 2.1

Method: Three systems

Worked steps

Hinduism, Islam and Buddhism **B1**; they continued to shape societies **B1**.

Practice 2.2 ■ 3 marks

State the CED's three-word formula for state formation.

Solution 2.2

Method: The formula

Worked steps

continuity **B1**; innovation **B1**; diversity **B1**.

Practice 2.3 ■ 1 mark

The CED names new Hindu and Buddhist states.

- (a) State which of the three words this illustrates.
- (b) State why the other two still apply.

Solution 2.3

Method: New states

Worked steps

(a) innovation **B1**. (b) continuity — the traditions were already present **B1**;
diversity — Hindu and Buddhist states coexisted **B1**.

Exam-style 3.1 ■ 1 mark

“Continued to shape” is a claim about

- A** arrival
- B** persistence
- C** disappearance
- D** prohibition

Solution 3.1

Method: 'Continued to shape'

- A arrival
- B persistence
- C disappearance
- D prohibition



Worked steps

B. persistence, not arrival.

Exam-style 3.2 ■ 1 mark

The same three-word formula is used for the Americas and

- A** Africa
- B** Antarctica
- C** nowhere else
- D** Europe only

Solution 3.2

Method: The formula

A Africa



B Antarctica

C nowhere else

D Europe only

Worked steps

A. Africa uses the same formula.

Exam-style 3.3 ■ 1 mark

Three religions shape one region at the same time.

- (a) State what this rules out.
- (b) Explain what it means for an answer about the region.

Solution 3.3

Method: Three systems

Worked steps

(a) treating the region as having one religious identity **B1**. (b) the answer must name which system it is discussing **B1** rather than writing about the region's religion in the singular **B1**.