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Level 3 History 2021

91438 Analyse the causes and consequences of a significant historical event

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INSTRUCTIONS

Write an essay on ONE significant historical event that you have studied, using the essay question below. Your essay should be concise and well argued.

Write your chosen historical event in the box below.

Plan your essay on page 3. Begin your essay on page 4.

ESSAY QUESTION

Evaluate the most important causes of your chosen historical event.

Historical event: 1970s Dawn Raids

PLANNING

You should aim to write a concise essay of no more than 5–6 pages. The quality of your writing is more important than the length of your essay.

Begin your essay here:

The 1970s Dawn Raids were a dark time in New Zealand, they cast a shadow over New Zealand's History. The 1970 Dawn Raids were a government tactic to try and find illegal over stayers in New Zealand, these raids were performed on mainly Pacific Island families and usually performed in the early hours of the morning, dawn, they were performed by police who were under strict order to take any illegal over stayers, no matter who they were, how old they were and what role they played in their families, meaning that; a baby, an elderly person, or even the sole income provider of that family could be taken. The 1970s were a dark time in New Zealand especially for Pacific Islanders who were simply coming to "the land of milk and honey" in search for better opportunities for themselves and families. The Dawn Raids are a significant historical event in NeZealand's History because of the effect they had on Pacific Island families before, during and after.

This essay will argue that these three causes: The Economic Boom and Bust around the World and in New Zealand during the 1950s, Institutional and Casual Racism and lastly Paakehaa identity crisis, are the most important causes of the Dawn Raids and without these causes the Dawn Raids would have not happened.

During the 1950s, there was an Economic Boom within New Zealand and also around the world. New Zealand became known as "Britains farmyard" as over 50% of our exports went to Britain and over 50% of imports came from Britain. New Zealand was thriving under the motherland. Many New Zealanders could not imagine a future without Britain so when they began contemplating economic ties with the (EEC) European Economic Community it was not looking good for New Zealand. During the Economic boom in the 50s there was lots of job vacancies, mainly in factories, no one in New Zealand was wanting these jobs so they were offered to Pacific Islanders, so that they could come work in New Zealand and have a better lifestyle and income, not only that but after World War Two, Pacific Island migration was at its peak, with over 26,000 migrants coming to New Zealand from island such as Western Samoa, Niue, Tokelau, Cook islands and Fiji. These factory jobs were quickly filled up and families were happy and New Zealand was still booming. Britain began contemplating more and more on joining the EEC and in 1973 they did, New Zealanders were in shock "what are we going to do without the motherland" many thought. Over the next 20 years, exports and imports began dropping to a whopping low of 30% then eventually down to 10% New Zealand was in a downfall. Companys and jobs were having to close due to loss of imports meaning that employees had to be let go and there was now a job crisis. Paakehaa New Zealanders began to lay blame on Pacific Islanders for talking "their" jobs, because Pacific Island

Migration was up when the New Zealand bust began, they were to blame. Even though these Pacific Islanders were offered these jobs, it somehow became their fault that Paakehaa had no where to work. This was the beginning of the dark shadow of the 1970s and how Pacific Islanders and people in their communities were treated. Which then leads on to my next cause Racism.

Racism, there are two forms of Racism when it comes to talking about the Dawn Raids; Casual and Institutional. Both forms of racism were used toward Pacific Islanders during the 1970s Dawn Raids not only by paakehaa New Zealanders but by the government and the media. An example of casual racism is, a popular headline used by Truth Magazine "FIT IN OR GET OUT" this article was referring to Pacific Islanders who were "complaining" about unfair treatment, the word "ghetto" entered the newspaper lexicon and people began referring to Pacific Islanders as "them" and New Zealanders as "us". The media began to play on Paakehaa New Zealanders feelings toward Pacific Islanders and their articles became worse and worse. An example of institutional racism is when the National Government, under Robert Muldoons leadership aired a racist cartoon made by an American cartoonist Hanna Barbera, the cartoon portrayed that Pacific Islanders were taking Paakehaa New Zealanders jobs, and that they were mad about not having a job when they came to New Zealand, this cartoon was a voting tactic to gain more votes from the average white New Zealander. Another example of institutional racism was an operation called Operation Pot Black. On Thursday 20th October 1976, 800 people were randomly stopped by police in search of illegal overstayers and asked for their "paperwork" meaning, work visa, passport, birth certificate, or anything that said you had the right to be in this country. Police orders from the government were to stop anyone who did not look like a New Zealanders, meaning anyone who had brown skin, not only this but 200 homes were raided that day in search of any overstayers hiding out. All of these examples of casual and institutional racism are apart of the reason the Dawn Raids happened not only this but because the government was using racism as a voting tactic, the rest of New Zealand didnt know any better, "if the government is doing it, then it must be right" many thought. Both forms of racism were used in order for the government and Paakehaa New Zealanders to be on the upside and Pacific Islanders to be on the downside.

Historians, James Belich and James Mitchell had another cause of the Dawn Raids which was Paakehaa were having an identity crisis. Paakehaa began to struggle within themselves with their own identity and culture. They began to lay blame on others for there own self validation. So when there were no jobs for Paakehaa New Zealanders because Pacific islanders had "taken them" they decided to blame them. James Mitchell's thesis and James Belich's book both state that Paakehaa were having their own crisis and were looking for something/someone to take it out on and unfortunatley it was Pacific Islanders. I have read both Historians comments on this cause and beleive that this is another important factor to the Dawn Raids. Maybe if Paakehaa werent in the middle of struggling with their own identity, Pacific Islanders would not have been blamed for the economic downfall and filled jobs.

The 1970s Dawn Raids are significant to New Zealand's history because of the effect they had on Pacific Island families and communities before, during and after the Dawn Raids. I myself believe that without these three important causes the Dawn Raids may have been avoidable or even done a better way. The Dawn Raids were a very dark time in New Zealand History and whaanau and whakapapa were lost due to these raids, if these three causes: The New Zealand Economic boom and bust, Institutional and Casual Racism and Paakehaa identity crisis didn't happen, would the Dawn Raids have happened. These causes are the most important causes to the Dawn Raids and without them I believe they wouldn't have happened.

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Subject	L3 History		Standard	91438	Total score	04
Q	Grade score	Annotation				
1	A4	<p>The Dawn Raids (1970s)</p> <p>The candidate has chosen a significant historical event, the Dawn Raids, and given some relevant details about the event.</p> <p>Three causes have been identified as important and the candidate uses relevant supporting evidence for two of the three causes. The first cause, the economic boom and bust cycle, contains some well-chosen relevant evidence. The second cause is uneven in its explanation of importance; some supporting evidence is relevant but not all. Note that Operation Pot Black occurs during the event itself. However, there is enough relevant evidence to meet the High Achievement criteria.</p> <p>To achieve a higher grade, the candidate needed to draw stronger causal links between the first two causes and the event. Instead of discussing a third cause relying on historians' views, which did not add or enhance their argument, the candidate should have spent more time prioritising the most important cause of the Dawn Raids.</p>				