

Section A

Answer Question 1, Question 2 and Question 3.

Question 1.

Study Source A.

**Source A:** From a school textbook, written in 2008. It is describing the impact of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan in 1979.

The Soviet Union completely miscalculated the impact that its actions would have on the West. The invasion was seen in the West as evidence of Soviet expansion. President Carter stated that the invasion might pose the most serious threat to world peace since World War Two. He took steps to try to persuade the Soviet Union to remove its troops. After 1981, the USA took a more aggressive approach towards the Soviet Union and began to find ways to support the Mujahedin in its fight against Soviet troops in Afghanistan.

- 1 Give **two** reasons from Source A which show that 'the Soviet Union completely miscalculated the impact that its actions would have on the West' (Source A lines 1–2).

1 The invasion was seen in the West as evidence of Soviet expansion  
2 President Carter stated that the invasion might pose the most serious threat to world peace since WW2. (Total for Question 1 = 2 marks)

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you just used the source to give 2 reasons. Perfect.

