Try it again with an extract from Paper One:

These sources and questions relate to the retreat from the Anglo-American Guarantee.

SOURCE A

Extract from the Fontainebleau memorandum of 25 March 1919, written by David Lloyd George, British Prime Minister. Taken from Woodrow Wilson and World Settlement. Ray Steward Baker, New York, 1922.

Finally, I believe that until the authority and effectiveness of the League of Nations has been demonstrated, the British Empire and the United States ought to give France a guarantee against the possibility of a new German aggression. France has special reason for asking for such a decree. She has twice been attacked and twice invaded by Germany in half a century. She has been attacked because she has been the principal guardian of liberal and democratic civilization against Central European autocracy on the continent of Europe. It is right that the other great Western democracies should enter into an undertaking which will ensure that they stand by her side in time to protect her against invasion, should Germany ever threaten her again or until the League of Nations has proved its capacity to preserve the peace and liberty of the world.

SOURCE E

An extract from The League of Nations. F S Norhedge. UK, 1986. Professor Norhedge was a Professor of International Relations at the London School of Economics.

France had forborne one vital element in her security system at the Peace Conference in 1919, namely the separation of the west bank of the Rhine from Germany, in exchange for guarantees against unprovoked aggression by Germany offered by the British and American leaders, Lloyd George and Woodrow Wilson. But this had fallen into disuse with the non-ratification of the treaties by the United States, and, with the resulting failure of that country to join the League. France considered the Covenant too weak to defend her against German aggression. When negotiations for an Anglo-French defence pact failed at the Cannes Conference in January 1922, French opposition to any disarmament scheme without a foolproof security system was confirmed.

3. With reference to their origin and purpose, assess the value and limitations of Source A and Source E for historians studying the Anglo-American Guarantee. [6 marks]
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| **Limitations** – Remember to make specific references to the document in your response. A minimum of two limitations must be proven.  
  • With reference to the origin and purpose, what are the limitations of the document for historians studying this event? |

So... if you were to write an answer to this question in your exam, what would it say?