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	Unit: A History of the Spanish Civil War (1936-1939) in 30 objects	Mark: ___ / 10
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TEST: A History of the Spanish Civil War (1936-1939) in 30 objects

1. In which month and year did the Spanish Civil War begin? (1 point)

- a. August 1936
- b. September 1936
- c. May 1936
- d. July 1936

2. Which countries supported the Republicans or Loyalists? (1)

3. Which countries supported the Nationalists or Francoists? (1)

4. What were the main 5 causes that led to the Spanish Civil War? (1)

5. What were the International Brigades? (1)

6. What were the consequences of the war? (1)

7. Describe ONE of the following objects and the history behind it (4):

a) Falange (or Falangist) badge (left)



b) Spanish M26 helmet



c) Passive Defence armband, Barcelona



Unit Test Answer Key

- 1.** d. July 1936.
- 2.** The Soviet Union (USSR) and Mexico.
- 3.** Italy, Germany and Portugal.
- 4.** Political instability and political polarization, the role of the Army, "the religious question" in Spain, economic causes, and peripheral nationalism.
- 5.** The International Brigades were military units made up of antifascist volunteers from "53 nations", who travelled to Spain to fight for the Republicans. The number of volunteers ("brigadistas") has been estimated between 32,000 – 35,000. Most were Communists or Communist sympathizers: for example, most Britons "were politically active –perhaps as many as three-quarters were members of the Communist Party– but those with an alternative political stance or who hailed from the trade union movement were also accepted" (R. Baxell).
- 6.** Without a shadow of a doubt, the SCW is the most influential event of 20th Century Spanish history and its deep consequences and legacy still resonate across today's society. A prelude to World War II, it is a key element to understand the interwar period (1918-1939). 4 consequences: the war was a deadly conflict (approximately 500,000 deaths); General Francisco Franco ruled the whole country with an iron fist from April 1939 until his death on 20 November 1975; Spain emerged from the war with formidable economic problems; and the Republican exile.
- 7.** See objects 4, 6 & 10.