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History

Assessment Unit A2 1

[AH211]



WEDNESDAY 26 MAY, MORNING

TIME

1 hour 15 minutes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.
Answer **one** question from your chosen option.
Indicate clearly on your Answer Booklet which option you have chosen.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 50.
Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.
Candidates are reminded that their answers should demonstrate their understanding of how the past has been interpreted and represented in different ways.
All questions carry equal marks, i.e. 50 marks for each question.

Answer **one** question from your chosen option.

Option 1 ANGLO-SPANISH RELATIONS 1509–1609

Either

- 1 How far were Anglo-Spanish relations in this period determined by marriage and failed marriage proposals? [50]

Or

- 2 “In the period 1509–1558 Anglo-Spanish relations were good; between 1558 and 1604 they were characterised by mutual hostility.” To what extent would you agree with this statement? [50]

Answer **one** question from your chosen option.

Option 2 CROWN AND PARLIAMENT IN ENGLAND 1603–1702

Either

- 1** How far would you agree that the relationship between Crown and Parliament was transformed by the events of the seventeenth century? [50]

Or

- 2** “The Glorious Revolution weakened the Crown more than any other event in the seventeenth century.” To what extent would you accept this verdict? [50]

Answer **one** question from your chosen option.

Option 3 LIBERALISM AND NATIONALISM IN EUROPE 1815–1914

Either

- 1 To what extent would you agree that liberalism in Europe was a failure before 1848 but a success in the period 1848–1914? [50]

Or

- 2 “The success of nationalism in Europe in the period 1815–1914 owed more to its cultural dimension than its political characteristics.” How far would you accept this statement? [50]

Answer **one** question from your chosen option.

Option 4 UNIONISM AND NATIONALISM IN IRELAND 1800–1900

Either

- 1 “The response of British governments was the key factor in deciding the extent to which Irish nationalists achieved their objectives.” How far would you agree with this assessment of constitutional and revolutionary nationalism in Ireland in the period 1800–1900? [50]

Or

- 2 How consistent were the motives and methods of the supporters of the Union in the north and south of Ireland in the period 1800–1900? [50]

Answer **one** question from your chosen option.

Option 5 CLASH OF IDEOLOGIES 1900–2000

Either

- 1 “Soviet foreign policy throughout the twentieth century was primarily motivated by a desire to protect the ideas of the Revolution of October 1917.” How far would you agree with this statement? [50]

Or

- 2 “The destruction of the Soviet Union was the main motivation for the opponents of communism in the period 1917–1991.” To what extent would you accept this verdict? [50]

THIS IS THE END OF THE QUESTION PAPER
