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Option A: England in the Middle Ages and the Transition to the Early Modern World	
Tuesday 2 June 2009 – Morning	Paper Reference
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Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **TWO** questions: **ONE** question on each of the **TWO** topics for which you have been prepared. You may only answer **ONE** question on each topic.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- The quality of your written communication will be assessed in **ALL** your responses
– *you should take particular care with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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**You should start the answer to your first question on page 4.
You should start the answer to your second question on page 12.**

A1 – Alfred the Great and the Vikings, 793–c 900

EITHER

- 1** How accurate is it to describe Anglo-Saxon England as stable and prosperous in the years before the arrival of the Great Army in 865?

(Total for Question 1 = 30 marks)

OR

- 2** Why were the Viking armies so successful in England in the years 865–877?

(Total for Question 2 = 30 marks)

A2 – The Norman Conquest and its Impact on England, 1066–1135

EITHER

- 3** How far was Harald Hardrada's invasion of the north responsible for William of Normandy's success at Hastings?

(Total for Question 3 = 30 marks)

OR

- 4** How far was the English Church reformed in the years 1066–90?

(Total for Question 4 = 30 marks)

A3 – The Angevin Empire, 1154–1216

EITHER

- 5** How far did Henry II exercise effective control over his many territories?

(Total for Question 5 = 30 marks)

OR

- 6** How far did Richard I's frequent absences from England damage the government of the country?

(Total for Question 6 = 30 marks)



A4 – From Black Death to Great Revolt: England, 1348–81

EITHER

- 7** How far was the economy of mid-fourteenth century England affected by the Black Death?

(Total for Question 7 = 30 marks)

OR

- 8** How far did the decline in the size of the population contribute to the outbreak of the Peasants' Revolt in 1381?

(Total for Question 8 = 30 marks)

A5 – Anglo-French Rivalry: Henry V and Henry VI, 1413–53

EITHER

- 9** How far were divisions within the French ruling elite responsible for Henry V's decision in 1415 to assert his claim to the throne of France?

(Total for Question 9 = 30 marks)

OR

- 10** How significant was the Burgundian alliance in enabling the Duke of Bedford to maintain the English position in France in the years 1422–35?

(Total for Question 10 = 30 marks)

A6 – The Wars of the Roses in England, 1455–85

EITHER

- 11** How far were local rivalries among the nobility responsible for the outbreak of civil conflict in England in 1455?

(Total for Question 11 = 30 marks)

OR

- 12** To what extent was Richard III responsible for his insecurity as king?

(Total for Question 12 = 30 marks)

A7 – The Reign of Henry VII, 1485–1509

EITHER

- 13** How far had Henry VII consolidated his hold on the throne by 1489?

(Total for Question 13 = 30 marks)

OR

- 14** To what extent did relations with Spain and Scotland strengthen Henry VII's security during his reign?

(Total for Question 14 = 30 marks)



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