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Unit 1	
Option A: England in the Middle Ages and the Transition to the Early Modern World	
Thursday 14 January 2010 – Afternoon	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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6HI01/A – England in the Middle Ages and the Transition to the Early Modern World

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

A1 – Alfred the Great and the Vikings, 793–c900

EITHER

- 1** How far were the weaknesses of other English kingdoms responsible for the emergence of Wessex as the leading Anglo-Saxon power by 875?

(Total for Question 1 = 30 marks)

OR

- 2** How far did Alfred reform and strengthen Wessex in the years 878–99?

(Total for Question 2 = 30 marks)

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

EITHER

- 3** How far do you agree that Duke William of Normandy's military skills were the main reason for his success in securing the English throne in 1066?

(Total for Question 3 = 30 marks)

OR

- 4** How far do you agree that the building of castles was the main reason why the English were unable to mount a successful challenge to William I's rule?

(Total for Question 4 = 30 marks)

A3 – The Angevin Empire, 1154–1216

EITHER

- 5** Why was the crisis in Church-State relations so bitter in the years 1162–72?

(Total for Question 5 = 30 marks)

OR

- 6** How far were Richard I and King John responsible for the collapse of English power in France?

(Total for Question 6 = 30 marks)



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

EITHER

- 7** How accurate is it to say that the Black Death led to dramatic changes in the structure of fourteenth-century English society?
(Total for Question 7 = 30 marks)

OR

- 8** How far do you agree that excessive demands from the rebels were the main reason for the failure of the peasants to achieve their aims in 1381?
(Total for Question 8 = 30 marks)

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

EITHER

- 9** How far do you agree that effective leadership was the main reason for the success of the English in France in the years 1415–35?
(Total for Question 9 = 30 marks)

OR

- 10** How significant was the influence of Joan of Arc in the revival of French fortunes 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 Lancastrian political and military mistakes responsible for the victory of the Yorkists?
(Total for Question 11 = 30 marks)

OR

- 12** How far was the unpopularity of Richard III responsible for the success of Henry Tudor's challenge in 1485?
(Total for Question 12 = 30 marks)

A7 – The Reign of Henry VII, 1485–1509

EITHER

- 13** To what extent was Henry VII successful in enforcing respect for the law among both nobles and commoners?
(Total for Question 13 = 30 marks)

OR

- 14** How far do you agree that Henry VII's foreign policy enhanced his power in England?
(Total for Question 14 = 30 marks)



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