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**Option C: The British Empire: Colonisation and Decolonisation**

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Paper Reference

**6HI01/C**

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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/C – The British Empire: Colonisation and Decolonisation

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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.

### C1 – The Origins of the British Empire, c1680–1763

#### EITHER

- 1 How far do you agree that the growth of the British Empire in the years c1680–1763 was primarily due to the defeat of rival European powers in war?

(Total for Question 1 = 30 marks)

#### OR

- 2 How far do you agree that the expansion of British trade during the years c1680–1763 was due to the growth of the slave trade?

(Total for Question 2 = 30 marks)

### C2 – Relations with the American Colonies and the War of Independence, c1740–89

#### EITHER

- 3 How far do you agree that the primary reason for the deterioration of relations between Britain and the American colonies in the years 1740–75 was the desire of the colonists for greater economic freedom?

(Total for Question 3 = 30 marks)

#### OR

- 4 How far was the British failure to win the War of Independence (1775–83) due to the territorial advantages of the American colonists?

(Total for Question 4 = 30 marks)

### C3 – The Slave Trade, Slavery and the Anti-Slavery Campaigns, c1760–1833

#### EITHER

- 5 To what extent was the expansion of the slave trade driven by the requirements of British consumers in the years c1760–1800?

(Total for Question 5 = 30 marks)

#### OR

- 6 Why did it take until 1833 to achieve the abolition of slavery in spite of the abolition of the slave trade in 1807?

(Total for Question 6 = 30 marks)



#### **C4 – Commerce and Conquest: India, c1760–c1835**

**EITHER**

- 7** To what extent did government legislation limit the power of the East India Company in the years 1773–1835?

**(Total for Question 7 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 8** To what extent was British influence over India achieved through military force in the years 1763–1835?

**(Total for Question 8 = 30 marks)**

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#### **C5 – Commerce and Imperial Expansion, c1815–70**

**EITHER**

- 9** How far do you agree that British industrialisation was the primary reason for the expansion of the Empire in the years c1815–70?

**(Total for Question 9 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 10** How accurate is it to say that the primary role of the Royal Navy in British imperial policy in the years c1815–70 was to enforce the abolition of the slave trade?

**(Total for Question 10 = 30 marks)**

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#### **C6 – Britain and the Scramble for Africa, c1875–1914**

**EITHER**

- 11** How far do you agree that British territorial expansion in Africa in the years c1875–1914 was primarily due to economic factors?

**(Total for Question 11 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 12** How accurate is it to say that attitudes within Britain towards the expansion of the African empire became less positive during the years c1875–1914?

**(Total for Question 12 = 30 marks)**

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#### **C7 – Retreat from Empire: Decolonisation in Africa, c1957–81**

**EITHER**

- 13** How significant was the impact of the Suez Crisis in the decision to grant African colonies independence in the years 1957–65?

**(Total for Question 13 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 14** How accurate is it to say that the transition to independence led to increased political instability in east and west Africa in the 1960s and 1970s?

**(Total for Question 14 = 30 marks)**







































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