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# History

**Advanced Subsidiary**  
**Unit 1**

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

Wednesday 17 May 2017 – Afternoon

**Time: 1 hour 20 minutes**

Paper Reference

**6HI01/C**

**You do not need any other materials.**

Total Marks

## 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.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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**6HI01/C – The British Empire: Colonisation and Decolonisation**

**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.**

**You must start the answer to your first question on page 5.  
You must start the answer to your second question on page 13.**

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

**EITHER**

- 1** How accurate is it to say that war was more important than trade in bringing about the expansion of the British Empire in the years c1680–1763?

**(Total for Question 1 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 2** How significant was the role of government in the expansion of the British Empire in the years c1680–1763?

**(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 British actions in the years 1774-75 were the trigger rather than the fundamental cause of the Declaration of Independence in 1776?

**(Total for Question 3 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 4** Why did the Americans accept a federal, rather than a centralised, constitution in the years after the British recognition of independence in 1783?

**(Total for Question 4 = 30 marks)**

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

**EITHER**

- 5** To what extent did the treatment of African slaves within the British colonial slave system change in the years c1760–1833?

**(Total for Question 5 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 6** How far do you agree that Thomas Clarkson played a more significant role than William Wilberforce in the campaign to abolish the slave trade?

**(Total for Question 6 = 30 marks)**

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

- 7 How far do you agree that, after 1760, France was the main threat to the maintenance of British control in India?

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

**OR**

- 8 To what extent did both the political and commercial control of India by the East India Company decline in the years 1763–1833?

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

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

- 9 How far do you agree that the main motivation for British imperial expansion in the years c1815–70 was the desire to spread a civilising influence across the world?

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

**OR**

- 10 How accurate is it to say that there was very little expansion in Britain's empire in the years c1815–70?

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

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

- 11 How far do you agree that British expansion in Africa was motivated more by economic factors than by strategic considerations in the years c1875–1914?

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

**OR**

- 12 How accurate is it to say that British victories in southern Africa in the years 1879–1902 demonstrated decisive British military superiority?

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



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

**EITHER**

**13** How far were domestic problems in Britain responsible for the decision to withdraw from the African Empire in the 1950s and 1960s?

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

**OR**

**14** How far do you agree that African nationalists achieved independence from Britain through peaceful, rather than violent, means?

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

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