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Time 2 hours

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**WHI03/1A**

**History**

**International Advanced**

**PAPER 3: Thematic Study With Source Evaluation**

**Option 1A: The USA, Independence to Civil War,  
1763–1865**

**You must have:**

Sources Booklet (enclosed)

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 Question 1 in Section A and **ONE** question in Section B.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*

## Information

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

## Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.
- Good luck with your examination.

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(Total for Question 1 = 25 marks)

**TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 25 MARKS**



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**SECTION B**

**Answer ONE question in Section B.**

**You must start your answer to your chosen question on the next page.**

**EITHER**

- 2** 'In the years 1763–91, financial issues were central to both the creation and the stabilisation of the new American nation.'

How far do you agree with this statement?

**(Total for Question 2 = 25 marks)**

**OR**

- 3** How accurate is it to say that America, throughout the years 1828–61, was essentially politically unstable?

**(Total for Question 3 = 25 marks)**

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## History

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### Sources for use with Section A.

**Source 1:** From an article in *The Franklin Repository* newspaper, 1 February 1865.  
*The Franklin Repository* was published in the Northern state of Pennsylvania.

The American people expect to see the rebellion rapidly collapse, and peace restored to their divided country. Everywhere the loyal Union armies have been successful, and the treasonous Confederate rebels crushed. It is true that General Lee still has an army, yet he is so completely isolated, that to move his army would see him defeated. Many of the southern states have indicated that they are now ready to abandon secession, emancipate slavery and return to the Union. 5

General Grant stands with one hand upon the throat of the Rebellion, keeping Lee's army powerless. He is ready at any moment to go on the attack. General Sherman's brave army is moving on the city of Charleston and that nest of treason will soon be in the possession of the Union army. With the fall of this city, the entire Atlantic coast is ours. This, in brief, is the position of our armies. 10

The Confederate Rebels themselves are now at war with their own leaders and their internal conflict is growing every day. Every newspaper brought from the South is full of reports of criticism of those in power. The whole Rebel organisation, military and civil, is collapsing. They have suffered humiliating military defeats. They have very few munitions of war left and their currency is worthless. Their people are dissatisfied and there is a rapidly growing feeling favourable to reconstruction and for readmission to the Union. These things are not illusions, but facts. It must be announced to the world, that the Rebellion is subdued, the Union saved, and the government of the United States recognised as supreme. 20

**Source 2:** From a letter by General Robert E Lee to the Confederate President, Jefferson Davis, 20 April 1865.

The concerns I expressed during the winter, about the morale of my army, have come true. In recent fighting, they were feeble and both officers and men lacked confidence. This condition, I think, was produced by the state of feeling in the country, and the letters received by the men from their homes, urging them to return home and abandon the fighting. Resistance to recent attacks by the enemy has not been effective and desertions have increased in the days up to the surrender. On the day of the surrender of my army, I had less than eight thousand effective infantry. However, over the next few days, more Confederate soldiers gave themselves up so that, according to the roll calls, twenty-six thousand officers and men eventually surrendered. Clearly, men who had recently deserted from the ranks had returned and given themselves up. 25 30

From what I have seen, I believe that a Confederate army cannot be organised or supported anymore. From the information I have, all the country east of the Mississippi River is, morally and physically, unable to continue the contest unaided with any hope of ultimate success. Disorganised resistance could continue, and hostilities could drag on, causing individual suffering and the devastation of the country, but I cannot see this achieving a separate independence for the South. To save any more worthless loss of blood, I would recommend the suspension of all hostilities and the restoration of peace. 35 40

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