

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS
ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY GCE
F962/01
HISTORY

European and World History Period Studies
Option A: Medieval and Early Modern 1095–1609

TUESDAY 17 MAY 2011: Morning
DURATION: 1 hour 30 minutes

SUITABLE FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED CANDIDATES

Candidates answer on the answer booklet.

OCR SUPPLIED MATERIALS:

8 page answer booklet
(sent with general stationery)

OTHER MATERIALS REQUIRED:

None

READ INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- **Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.**
- **Use black ink.**
- **Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.**
- **Answer any TWO questions.**

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- **The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.**
- **The total number of marks for this paper is 100.**
- **This paper contains questions on the following six Study Topics:**
 - **The Crusades and Crusader States 1095–1192**
 - **The Renaissance from c.1400–c.1550**
 - **Exploration and Discovery c.1445–c.1545**
 - **Spain 1469–1556**
 - **Charles V: International Relations and the Holy Roman Empire 1519–1559**
 - **Philip II, Spain and the Netherlands, 1556–1609**
- **There are eighteen questions, three for each Study Topic. Answer any TWO questions.**
- **You should write in continuous prose and are reminded of the need for clear and accurate writing, including structure of argument, grammar, punctuation and spelling.**

Answer any TWO questions from either ONE or TWO of the Study Topics.

THE CRUSADES AND CRUSADER STATES 1095–1192

- 1 'Religious devotion was the MAIN reason for the success of the First Crusade.' How far do you agree? [50]**
- 2 Assess the reasons for the failure of the Second Crusade. [50]**
- 3 How successful was the Third Crusade? [50]**

THE RENAISSANCE FROM c.1400–c.1550

- 4 How important was noble patronage in the development of the Renaissance in Italy? [50]**
- 5 To what extent was Renaissance art new? [50]**
- 6 To what extent was the Northern Renaissance different to the Italian Renaissance? [50]**

EXPLORATION AND DISCOVERY c.1445–c.1545

- 7 Assess the reasons why Portugal was able to establish an overseas empire in this period. [50]**
- 8 How important was Cortes in the acquisition of a Spanish empire in the Americas? [50]**
- 9 Assess the impact of Portuguese rule on its overseas empire. [50]**

SPAIN 1469–1556

- 10 ‘Consolidating royal authority was more important than religion to Ferdinand and Isabella in their domestic policy.’ How far do you agree? [50]**
- 11 How serious were the problems Charles I faced from 1516 to 1524? [50]**
- 12 To what extent was Charles I’s rule of Spain after 1524 a failure? [50]**

CHARLES V: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND THE HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE 1519–1559

- 13 Assess the reasons why Charles V faced difficulties in his relations with the princes. [50]**

- 14 To what extent did the spread of Lutheranism in the Holy Roman Empire depend on the attitude of individual princes? [50]**

- 15 How successful was Charles V in dealing with the threats posed by France and the Ottomans? [50]**

PHILIP II, SPAIN AND THE NETHERLANDS, 1556–1609

- 16 Assess the condition of Spain at the time of Philip II's accession in 1556. [50]**

- 17 How far was Philip II personally responsible for the problems he faced in ruling Spain? [50]**

- 18 Assess the reasons for the success of the northern provinces in the Revolt of the Netherlands. [50]**

Paper Total [100]

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