



**GCE A level**

476/06

**HISTORY – HI6**

**UNIT 6 (Synoptic Assessment)**

**PERIOD STUDY 6**

**ASPECTS OF THE HISTORY OF EUROPE,  
c. 1618-1763**

P.M. MONDAY, 16 June 2008

50 minutes

(of a 1 hour 40 minutes examination)

#### **ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

In addition to this examination paper, you will need an 8 page answer book.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer **one** question.

#### **INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

The number of marks is given in square brackets at the end of each question.

**You are reminded that marking will take into account the quality of written communication used in your answers.**

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*Answer one question.*

*Candidates are reminded that their answers should demonstrate a synoptic approach to the question, and should draw together, where appropriate, the political, social, economic, religious and cultural aspects of the topic.*

**1. Prussia, c. 1624-1763.**

‘The emergence of Prussia as a great power in this period was mainly due to its economic strength.’

How valid is this assessment of why Prussia emerged as a significant European power during the period 1624-1763? [80]

**2. Great Power rivalry, c. 1618-1763.**

‘Territorial expansion was the main cause of Great Power rivalry during the period 1618-1763.’

How valid is this assessment of the causes of Great Power rivalry during the period 1618-1763? [80]