



GCE A level

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HISTORY – HY4

UNIT 4

PERIOD STUDY 6

Aspects of the History of Europe, c. 1696-1815

P.M. WEDNESDAY, 15 January 2014

1 hour 40 minutes

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

In addition to this examination paper, you will need a 12 page answer book.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Answer **two** questions, **one** from **Section A** and **one** from **Section B**.

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 two questions, one from Section A and one from Section B.

SECTION A

Answer one question.

1. Catherine the Great, 1762-1796

‘Catherine the Great was an enlightened ruler who always served the interests of her country well.’ Discuss. [40]

2. Commercial and colonial rivalry, c. 1750-1815

To what extent was rivalry between the Great Powers during this period mainly motivated by the search for commercial advantage? [40]

SECTION B

Answer one question.

1. France, c. 1715-1815

‘Economic problems were the most significant challenge for France throughout the period 1715-1815.’ Discuss. [40]

2. Great Power rivalry, c. 1696-1815

To what extent were changes in the balance of power responsible for Great Power rivalry in Europe between 1696 and 1815? [40]

END OF PAPER