



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Subsidiary Examination
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History

HIS1F

Unit 1F France in Revolution, 1774–1815

Tuesday 13 January 2009 1.30 pm to 2.45 pm

For this paper you must have:

- a 12-page answer book.

Time allowed

- 1 hour 15 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Examining Body** for this paper is AQA. The **Paper Reference** is HIS1F.
- Answer **two** questions.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 72.
- There are 36 marks for each question.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.
- In answering the questions you must use your own knowledge and understanding of the period. In particular you should:
 - refer to relevant historical information
 - show an understanding of change and continuity
 - show a knowledge of historical interpretations.

Answer **two** questions.

- 1** (a) Explain why the French monarchy faced a financial crisis in the years 1786 to 1788. *(12 marks)*
- (b) How far was the outbreak of the French Revolution in 1789 caused by attempts to reform the royal finances? *(24 marks)*
- 2** (a) Why did the National Convention decide to execute King Louis XVI? *(12 marks)*
- (b) How far was Robespierre's unpopularity responsible for the collapse of the Reign of Terror after the spring of 1794? *(24 marks)*
- 3** (a) Explain why Napoleon crowned himself Emperor of the French in 1804. *(12 marks)*
- (b) How far was France transformed by Napoleon's rule in the years 1804 to 1814? *(24 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS