



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Subsidiary Examination
January 2010

HISTORY

HIS2B

**Unit 2B The Church in England: the Struggle for
Supremacy, 1529–1547**

Wednesday 20 January 2010 9.00 am to 10.30 am

For this paper you must have:

- a 12-page answer book.

Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 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 HIS2B.
- Answer **two** questions.
Answer Question 1 and **either** Question 2 **or** Question 3.
- In answering the questions you must use your own knowledge and understanding of the period.

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.

Advice

- You are advised to spend about 45 minutes on each question.

HIS2B

Answer Question 1 and **either** Question 2 **or** Question 3.

1 Study the following source material and then answer the questions which follow.

Source A Faction dominated the last years of Henry's reign. It was inevitable that the ambitions and personality clashes of the factions in the court and council would be dominated by religion. In the final struggle, the religious reformers emerged triumphant. In Henry's pain-ridden last years, fewer and fewer people were
5 allowed access to him. Most of these, such as his wife, Archbishop Cranmer and the gentlemen of the Privy Chamber, were of the new persuasion in religion. That is why the conservatives mounted one last desperate attack on them in 1546.

Adapted from D WILSON, *In the Lion's Court*, 2000

Source B By 1542 Henry seems to have been suspicious of the motives of everyone around him. He chose eventually to trust men such as the Earl of Hertford, Lord Lisle and Sir William Paget rather than the Duke of Norfolk or the Bishop of
5 Winchester. The reasons seem to have related to his vision of his own authority and to the issue of the succession. There was no precedent at all for the passing on of the Royal Supremacy over the Church. It was Henry's intention that the supremacy, like every other aspect of the powers of the crown, should be given to the council. This was not the view of the conservative faction.

Adapted from D LOADES, *Henry VIII – Court, Church and Conflict*, 2007

Source C Although highly conservative, the religious policy in 1541–47 was far more positive than is often thought. At the height of the so-called 'conservative reaction', Henry VIII continued to urge that children be taught the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments in English as vigorously as had
5 Thomas Cromwell. But he insisted that 'reform' be consistent with the Six Articles and the Royal Supremacy and, especially, that the institutional structure of 'his' church should not be touched.

Adapted from G W BERNARD, *The King's Reformation*, 2005

(a) Use **Sources A** and **B** and your own knowledge.

Explain how far the views in **Source B** differ from those in **Source A** in relation to faction in the last years of Henry VIII's reign. (12 marks)

(b) Use **Sources A**, **B** and **C** and your own knowledge.

How far were Henry VIII's last years dominated by religious issues? (24 marks)

EITHER

- 2 (a) Explain why the Act for the Submission of the Clergy was passed in 1531. *(12 marks)*
- (b) 'The acts passed by the Reformation Parliament had completely changed the Church in England by 1536.'
Explain why you agree or disagree with this view. *(24 marks)*

OR

- 3 (a) Explain why the Act for the Dissolution of the Lesser Monasteries was passed. *(12 marks)*
- (b) 'The Dissolution of the Monasteries between 1536 and 1540 was widely supported.'
Explain why you agree or disagree with this view. *(24 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS

There are no questions printed on this page

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COPYRIGHT-HOLDERS AND PUBLISHERS

Permission to reproduce all copyright material has been applied for. In some cases, efforts to contact copyright-holders have been unsuccessful and AQA will be happy to rectify any omissions of acknowledgements in future papers if notified.

Question 1 Source A: From *In the Lion's Court* by Derek Wilson, published by Hutchinson, 2000. Reprinted by permission of the Random House Group Ltd.

Question 1 Source B: D LOADES, *Henry VIII – Court, Church and Conflict*, 2007. Reproduced by permission of the National Archives.

Question 1 Source C: G W BERNARD, *The King's Reformation*, Yale University Press, 2005. Reproduced by permission of Yale University Press.

Copyright © 2010 AQA and its licensors. All rights reserved.