



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Subsidiary Examination
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History

HIS1E

Unit 1E Absolutist States: The Reign of Louis XIV, 1661–1715

Thursday 13 January 2011 1.30 pm to 2.45 pm

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 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 HIS1E.
- Answer **two** questions.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 72.
- 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.

Question 1

0 1 Explain why Louis XIV had only limited authority at the beginning of his personal rule in 1661. *(12 marks)*

0 2 How important was the use of intendants to the extension of Louis XIV's authority within France in the years 1661 to 1685? *(24 marks)*

Question 2

0 3 Explain why Louis XIV went to war against the Dutch in 1672. *(12 marks)*

0 4 How successful was Louis XIV's foreign policy in serving the interests of France in the years 1661 to 1685? *(24 marks)*

Question 3

0 5 Why did Louis XIV fail to convert the Huguenots to Catholicism before 1685? *(12 marks)*

0 6 How far was Louis XIV's persecution of religious minorities in the years 1661 to 1715 due to his religious views? *(24 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS