

General Certificate of Education  
SPECIMEN PAPER  
Advanced Subsidiary Examination



**HISTORY**  
**Unit 1**  
**France in Revolution, 1774–1815**

**HIS1F**

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**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.
- 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

**Information**

- The maximum mark for this paper is 72.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- There are 36 marks for each question.
- You will be marked on your ability to use good English, to organise information clearly and to use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

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Answer **two** questions.

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**1**

- (a) Explain why the French monarchy faced financial crisis in the 1770s. (12 marks)
- (b) How far were the ideas of the *philosophes* responsible for the outbreak of the revolution in France in 1789? (24 marks)

**2**

- (a) Why did the national Assembly vote for the August Decrees of 1789? (12 marks)
- (b) How successful were the reforms of the National Assembly in bringing about liberty and equality to the French people in the years 1789 to 1793? (24 marks)

**3**

- (a) In what ways was the Constitution of 1799 important in Napoleon's establishment of himself as Emperor of the French? (12 marks)
- (b) How important was censorship and propaganda in maintaining Napoleon's control of France in the years 1804 to 1815? (24 marks)

**END OF QUESTIONS**