

General Certificate of Education
SPECIMEN PAPER
Advanced Subsidiary Examination



HISTORY
Unit 1
Britain, 1906–1951

HIS1L

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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 HIS1L.
- 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.

1

- (a) Explain why the Liberals won a landslide victory in the 1906 general election. *(12 marks)*
- (b) How successful were Liberal social reforms in dealing with poverty in Britain from 1908 to 1914? *(24 marks)*

2

- (a) Why did Ramsay MacDonald form a National Government in August 1931? *(12 marks)*
- (b) How important were the policies of the National Government in bringing about economic recovery in Britain by 1939? *(24 marks)*

3

- (a) Why was a new coalition government formed in May 1940? *(12 marks)*
- (b) How important to the revival of Labour Party fortunes between 1935 and 1945 was the British public's experience of the Second World War? *(24 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS