
A-level HISTORY

Tsarist and Communist Russia, 1855–1964

Paper 1H

Specimen 2014

Morning Time allowed: 2 hours 30 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-page answer book.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is **1H**.
- Answer **three** questions.
In **Section A** answer Question 01.
In **Section B** answer **two** questions.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- 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:
 - 60 minutes on Question 01
 - 45 minutes on each of the other questions answered.
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Section A

Answer Question 01.

Extract A

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Extract B

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Extract C

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Using your understanding of the historical context, assess how convincing the arguments in these three extracts are in relation to the political situation in Russia by 1914.

[30 marks]

Section B

Answer **two** questions.

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'The Russian economy was transformed in the years 1894 to 1914.'

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]

0 3

'The Bolshevik state under Lenin, between 1918 and 1924, was just as ruthless as the Communist state under Stalin, between 1928 and 1941.'

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]

0 4

'The lives of the Russian peasants were transformed in the years 1928 to 1964.'

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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