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# A-level HISTORY

## Wars and Welfare: Britain in Transition, 1906–1957

Paper 2M

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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 **2M**.
- 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 two questions in Section B.
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**Section A**

Answer Question 01.

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With reference to these sources and your understanding of the historical context, assess the value of these three sources to an historian studying living conditions in the 1930s.

**[30 marks]**

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**Section B**

Answer **two** questions.

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‘The Liberals introduced welfare reforms in the years 1906 to 1911 because they were afraid of the rise of Labour.’

Assess the validity of this view.

**[25 marks]**

**0 3**

‘The decline of the Liberal Party in the years 1916 to 1932 was mainly due to the First World War.’

Assess the validity of this view.

**[25 marks]**

**0 4**

‘The inadequacies of welfare provision highlighted by the Beveridge Report had been overcome by 1951.’

Assess the validity of this view.

**[25 marks]**

**END OF QUESTIONS**

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