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A Level History A

Y205/01 Exploration, Encounters and Empire 1445–1570

Time allowed: 1 hour



You must have:

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet

INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Choose **one** question and answer **all** the parts of that question.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **30**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- This document has **2** pages.

ADVICE

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

Answer Question 1 **or** Question 2.

1 (a) Which of the following was of greater importance for Spanish exploration?

(i) Columbus

(ii) Balboa

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]

(b)* 'The most important consequences of overseas empire on Europe were economic and financial.' How far do you agree? [20]

OR

2 (a) Which of the following was of greater importance in the Portuguese and Spanish settlement of South America?

(i) Central administrative systems

(ii) Local administrative systems

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]

(b)* How important was the patronage of the monarchs of Spain and Portugal in encouraging overseas exploration in the period from 1445 to 1570? [20]

END OF QUESTION PAPER

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