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HISTORY - HI2

UNIT 2

PERIOD STUDY 1

ASPECTS OF THE HISTORY OF WALES AND ENGLAND, c. 1485-1603

P.M. FRIDAY, 12 January 2007

(45 minutes)

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

In addition to this examination paper, you will need an 8 page answer book.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer one question.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in square brackets at the end of each question.

The quotations used in this unit may have been amended or adapted from the stated published work in order to make the wording more accessible.

You are reminded that marking will take into account the quality of written communication used in your answers.

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Candidates in their response to the interpretation question should consider the validity of the interpretation using their knowledge of the period and other possible interpretations. Candidates should also consider the factors which may have influenced the way in which the interpretation has been formed – such as the type of historian/author, the evidence available to the historian/author and the date of the publication.

1. Wales and her relationship with England, c.1500-1543.

'The Acts of Union betrayed Wales because they deprived the Welsh of their promised privileges of equality and common citizenship with their English neighbours.'

[A.H. Dodd, an academic historian and specialist in Welsh social history, writing in a general survey of seventeenth-century Welsh history, *Studies in Stuart Wales* (1952)]

How valid is this interpretation of Wales and her relationship with England in the period 1500-1543?

2. Anglicanism and Puritanism in Wales and England, 1559-1603.

'The execution of John Penry, no more than twelve years since, proved that the vile canker of Puritanism was as powerful, influential and dangerous a movement in Wales as it was in England.'

[William Bradshaw, a Church of England clergyman and religious thinker, writing in a specialist religious pamphlet, *English Puritanism*, containing the maine opinions of the rigidest sort of those that are called Puritains in the realme of England (1605)]

How valid is this interpretation of Puritanism in Wales and England in the period 1559-1603? [80]

3. Mary Stuart, the Catholic threat and relations with the Catholic powers, 1568-1603.

'To talk of plots, rebellions and secret agreements with foreign powers is to lose sight of the fact that they never amounted to anything: Mary Stuart's imprisonment threatened no-one, least of all Elizabeth.'

[J.H. Pollen, an academic historian and leading member of the Scottish History Society, writing in a specialist textbook, *Mary Queen of Scots and the Babington Plot* (1922)]

How valid is this interpretation of Mary Stuart, the Catholic threat and relations with the Catholic powers in the period between 1568-1603? [80]