



**GCE A level**

1234/05

**HISTORY – HY4**

**UNIT 4**

**PERIOD STUDY 5**

**ASPECTS OF THE HISTORY OF  
EUROPE, c. 1515-1621**

P.M. THURSDAY, 27 January 2011

1 hour 40 minutes

**ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

In addition to this examination paper, you will need a 12 page answer book.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Answer **two** questions, one from **Section A** and **one** from **Section B**.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

The time you spend on a question should be in proportion to the marks available.

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

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*Answer two questions, one from Section A and one from Section B.*

**SECTION A**

*Answer one question.*

**1. The reign of Philip II, 1556-1598**

‘Philip II’s greatest challenge was his inheritance of the Netherlands.’ Discuss. [40]

**2. France, c. 1562-1610**

‘Religion had little to do with the French wars of religion.’ Discuss. [40]

**SECTION B**

*Answer one question.*

**1. Political and religious change in Europe, c. 1515-1621**

‘Europe between 1515-1621 was mainly shaped by political factors.’ Discuss. [40]

**2. Spain and Europe, c. 1515-1621**

To what extent were territorial issues the most important factor in Spain’s relationship with Europe, 1515-1621? [40]