GCE A level

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HISTORY - HY4
UNIT 4
PERIOD STUDY 6
Aspects of the History of Europe, c. 1696-1815

A.M. FRIDAY, 18 January 2013 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.

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. Catherine the Great, 1762-1796

To what extent can Catherine the Great be considered a successful ruler of Russia?

[40]

2. Commercial and colonial rivalry, c. 1750-1815

'Establishing commercial supremacy was the main reason for the rivalry between Prussia and Russia in the Baltic between 1750-1815.' Discuss. [40]

SECTION B

Answer one question.

1. France, c. 1715-1815

'War was the most significant influence on France during the period 1715-1815.' Discuss. [40]

2. Great Power rivalry, c. 1696-1815

To what extent was fear of France the most important factor in explaining Great Power rivalry between 1696 and 1815? [40]