



GCSE HISTORY

Paper 2A/C: Britain: Migration, empires and the people: c790 to the present day

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Source A

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*Arbitrary power = unlimited and unreasonable power

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