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# History

Assessment Unit A2 1



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**WEDNESDAY 6 JUNE, AFTERNOON**

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## TIME

1 hour 15 minutes.

## INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.

Answer **one** question from your chosen option.

Indicate clearly on your Answer Booklet which option you have chosen.

## INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 50.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.

Candidates are reminded that their answers should demonstrate their understanding of how the past has been interpreted and represented in different ways.

All questions carry equal marks, i.e. 50 marks for each question.

Answer **one** question from your chosen option.

**Option 1    ANGLO-SPANISH RELATIONS 1509–1609**

**Either**

- 1** “England was responsible for the destruction of the Anglo-Spanish alliance in the period 1509–1609.” To what extent would you agree with this statement? [50]

**Or**

- 2** “Marriage and failed marriage proposals had a greater impact on Anglo-Spanish relations than any other issue in the period 1509–1609.” How far would you accept this verdict? [50]

Answer **one** question from your chosen option.

**Option 2 CROWN AND PARLIAMENT IN ENGLAND 1603–1702**

**Either**

- 1** “Of all the monarchs in the period 1603–1702, James II did most damage to the relationship between Crown and Parliament in England.” How far would you agree with this statement? [50]

**Or**

- 2** “By 1702 Parliament was in a more powerful position than the monarchy.” To what extent would you accept this assessment of the changing relations between Crown and Parliament in England in the period 1603–1702? [50]

Answer **one** question from your chosen option.

**Option 3 LIBERALISM AND NATIONALISM IN EUROPE 1815–1914**

**Either**

- 1** “1848 represented the most important turning point in the fortunes of liberalism in Europe in the period 1815–1914.” How far would you agree with this verdict? [50]

**Or**

- 2** “Physical force was the only means by which nationalist success was achieved in Europe between 1815 and 1914.” To what extent would you accept this statement? [50]

Answer **one** question from your chosen option.

**Option 4      UNIONISM AND NATIONALISM IN IRELAND 1800–1900**

**Either**

- 1** “Irish nationalists could only succeed when British governments were weak, but would always fail when British governments were strong.” How far would you agree with this assessment of the reasons for the successes and failures of constitutional and revolutionary nationalism in Ireland in the period 1800–1900? [50]

**Or**

- 2** “Despite their common goal of preserving the Act of Union, they had little else to unite them.” How far would you accept this view of the motives and methods of the supporters of the Union in the north and south of Ireland in the period 1800–1900? [50]

Answer **one** question from your chosen option.

**Option 5 CLASH OF IDEOLOGIES IN EUROPE 1900–2000**

**Either**

- 1 “Between 1917 and 1941 Soviet foreign policy in Europe was primarily defensive; from 1942 to 1991 it was mainly aggressive.” How far would you accept this verdict? [50]

**Or**

- 2 “The opponents of communism in Europe were more successful between 1917 and 1941 than in the period 1942–1991.” To what extent would you agree with this statement? [50]

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**THIS IS THE END OF THE QUESTION PAPER**

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