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## AS Level History A

**Y234** Genghis Khan and the Explosion from the Steppes

c.1167–1405

**Wednesday 25 May 2016 – Afternoon**

**Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes**



**You must have:**

- the 12-page Answer Booklet  
(OCR12 sent with general stationery)

### INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Answer either Question 1 or Question 2 in Section A, and Question 3 in Section B.
- Write your answer to each question on the Answer Booklet.
- Do **not** write in the barcodes.

### INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **50**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [ ].
- Quality of extended responses will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (\*).
- This document consists of **4** pages.

**SECTION A**

Answer **ONE** question.

- 1\*** To what extent did the Mongol Empire maintain its strength during the reign of Khubilai Khan? **[30]**
- 2\*** 'China had greater influence than Persia on cultural development throughout the Mongol Empire.'  
How far do you agree? **[30]**

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**SECTION B**

3 Read the interpretation and then answer the question that follows:

'Genghis' greatest accomplishment was the unification of the Mongols.'

Morris Rossabi, *The Mongols: A Very Short Introduction*, 2012

Evaluate the strengths and limitations of this interpretation making reference to other interpretations that you have studied. **[20]**

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**

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