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## AS Level History A

**Y246** The USA in the 19th Century: Westward expansion and Civil War 1803–c.1890

**Wednesday 25 May 2016 – Afternoon**

**Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes**



**You must have:**

- the OCR 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\*** 'Loss of land was the most serious consequence of Federal Government policy for Native American Indians in the period 1803–1890.' How far do you agree? **[30]**
- 2\*** How far do the weaknesses of the Confederate Army explain the victory of the North in the American Civil War? **[30]**

**SECTION B**

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

'The quest for better economic opportunities ... continued to excite the American imagination ... . Most of the settlers and adventurers sought to exploit the many economic opportunities afforded by the new lands.'

George Brown Tindall and David E Shi, *America, A Narrative History*, 2004

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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