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GCSE (9–1) History A (Explaining the Modern World)

J410/11 The Impact of Empire on Britain 1688–c.1730
with Urban Environments: Patterns of Migration

Time allowed: 1 hour 15 minutes



You must have:

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet

INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Answer **all** the questions.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **55**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) and the use of specialist terminology will be assessed in questions marked with a pencil (✎).
- This document has **4** pages.

ADVICE

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

SECTION A

The Impact of Empire on Britain 1688–c.1730

Answer **all** the questions.

You are advised to spend about 45 minutes on this section.

- 1 Explain how the British economy benefitted from the expansion of the British Empire between 1688 and c.1730. [10]

- 2 Study Sources A–C.

‘The main reason the Darien Scheme failed was the opposition from the English.’ How far do sources A–C convince you that this statement is correct? Use the sources and your knowledge to explain your answer. [20]

(✎) Spelling, punctuation and grammar and the use of specialist terminology [5]

Source A

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An extract from a letter written by Francis Scott and Robert Blackwood to the Council in Darien in April 1699. Both were directors of the Scottish company which paid for the Darien scheme and had invested a lot of money into it.

Source B

Our sickness increased with more than 220 of us with fevers and other illnesses. Our pitiful, rotten provisions had almost run out and we were upon the very point of leaving and losing this colony. Orders were actually given to gather together what food and water we could find and leave the colony. But in our greatest darkness, light appeared, for on 4th February a ship from Jamaica got a leak and was forced into the bay, from which we bought some provisions.

An extract from a letter from Reverend Alexander Shields, 1700. Shields arrived in Darien in November 1699. He was Senior Minister at Darien and was responsible for trying to convert the local people to Christianity.

Source C

I still hope to return to Darien, but shall do my best in the first place to get the necessary reinforcements and supplies that we need from Europe; especially because we meet still with discouragement from England. I am still hopeful that there may yet be a good understanding between the nations in this matter, but the present mood of some in England is making this harder work than I could wish for.

An extract from a letter from William Paterson in February 1700. Paterson was the leader of the original Darien project but had returned to Scotland by this date.

SECTION B

Urban Environments: Patterns of Migration

Answer **all** the questions.

You are advised to spend about 30 minutes on this section.

3 Explain why migrants settled in Spitalfields by 1900. [10]

4 Study Sources D and E.

Which of these sources is more useful to a historian studying Spitalfields after 1945? [10]

Source D

In 1976 I settled in Spitalfields and within a few years I became very engaged with community work as the Bangladeshi community was facing threats to their homes from city developers. I helped to set up the Spitalfields Housing Co-operative and by the late 1980s we had at least five Bangladeshi community-based housing co-operatives in the area. We were able to build and name housing estates with Bengali names such as Fakhruddin Estate and Zafar Khan House.

An extract from an interview with Mohammed Osman Gani, co-founder of the Spitalfields Housing Association, 2012.

Source E



A photograph showing members of the Bangladeshi community gathered in Altab Ali Park in May 2018 to remember Altab Ali, who was murdered in Spitalfields in 1978.

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