

Wednesday 22 May 2013 – Afternoon

AS GCE HISTORY A

F962/01 European and World History Period Studies
Option A: Medieval and Early Modern 1095–1609

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet.

OCR supplied materials:

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

Other materials required:

None

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink.
- Answer any **two** questions.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **100**.
- This paper contains questions on the following six Study Topics:
 - The Crusades and Crusader States 1095–1192
 - The Renaissance from c.1400–c.1550
 - Exploration and Discovery c.1445–c.1545
 - Spain 1469–1556
 - Charles V: International Relations and the Holy Roman Empire 1519–1559
 - Philip II, Spain and the Netherlands, 1556–1609
- There are eighteen questions, three for each Study Topic. Answer any **two** questions.
- You should write in continuous prose and are reminded of the need for clear and accurate writing, including structure of argument, grammar, punctuation and spelling.
- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Answer any **two** questions.

The Crusades and Crusader States 1095–1192

- 1 How far were the First Crusaders motivated by a desire for wealth, land and power? [50]
- 2 How important were the military leaders of the First Crusade in determining its success? [50]
- 3 'Muslim disunity was the main reason for the survival of the Crusader states during this period.'
How far do you agree? [50]

The Renaissance from c.1400–c.1550

- 4 How far was Papal and Church patronage the main reason for the development of the Renaissance? [50]
- 5 How important were the Medici to the development of the Renaissance in Florence? [50]
- 6 How far were cultural developments north of the Alps influenced by the Italian Renaissance? [50]

Exploration and Discovery c.1445–c.1545

- 7 How important was royal patronage in Spanish overseas exploration in this period? [50]
- 8 Assess Portugal's motives in developing an overseas empire in this period. [50]
- 9 Assess the reasons why Spain was able to develop an overseas empire in this period. [50]

Spain 1469–1556

- 10 To what extent did Ferdinand and Isabella deserve their title as 'Most Catholic Monarchs'? [50]
- 11 How far were the problems Charles I faced from 1516 to 1524 of his own making? [50]
- 12 How effectively did Charles I deal with the problems he faced in his rule of Spain after 1524? [50]

Charles V: International Relations and the Holy Roman Empire 1519–1559

- 13 Assess the reasons why Luther published his 95 Theses in 1517. [50]
- 14 Assess the reasons why Charles V was unable to crush Lutheranism. [50]
- 15 How great a threat was France to Charles V? [50]

Philip II, Spain and the Netherlands, 1556–1609

- 16 How serious were the problems facing Philip II in Spain in 1556? [50]
- 17 ‘Philip II’s financial policy was his least successful domestic policy.’ How far do you agree? [50]
- 18 Assess the reasons why the revolt in the Netherlands lasted so long. [50]

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