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HISTORY B

Historical Explanation–British History

WEDNESDAY 25 MAY 2016: Afternoon

DURATION: 1 hour 30 minutes
plus your additional time allowance

MODIFIED ENLARGED 24pt

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet.

OCR SUPPLIED MATERIALS:
12 page Answer Booklet (OCR12)
(sent with general stationery)

OTHER MATERIALS REQUIRED:
None

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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 ONE question. Each question is in two parts. Answer BOTH parts of your chosen question.

Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.

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 50.

This paper contains questions on the following four Study Topics:

Lancastrians and Yorkists, 1437–1485 (page 4)

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Liberal Sunset: The Rise and Fall of 'New Liberalism', 1890–1922 (page 6)

The End of Consensus: Britain 1945–1990 (page 7)

Each Study Topic has 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.

Any blank pages are indicated.

Lancastrians and Yorkists, 1437–1485

Answer BOTH parts of your chosen question.

Answer EITHER

1 Preparation for Civil War, 1450–1455

(a) Why did Cade's Rebellion happen? [25]

(b) Why did the First Battle of St Albans (1455) happen? [25]

OR

2 Edward IV's Second Reign, 1471–1483

(a) Why was Edward IV able to restore the authority of the Crown in the period from 1471 to 1483? [25]

(b) Why was it difficult for Edward IV to plan for the succession? [25]

Tudor Finale: The Reign of Elizabeth I, 1558–1603

Answer BOTH parts of your chosen question.

Answer EITHER

3 Catholics and Puritans: the Religious Settlement of 1558–9 and its aftermath

(a) Why were Catholics dissatisfied with the religious settlement of 1558–9? [25]

(b) Why was there little opposition to the religious settlement by the end of Elizabeth's reign? [25]

OR

4 The Growth and Treatment of Poverty in Elizabethan England

(a) Why did the poor cause a threat to law and order in Elizabeth's reign? [25]

(b) Why were the attitudes of the authorities to poverty and vagrancy at the end of Elizabeth's reign different from those at the beginning? [25]

Liberal Sunset: The rise and fall of 'New Liberalism', 1890–1922

Answer BOTH parts of your chosen question.

Answer EITHER

5 The Liberal Reforms: 1906–14

(a) Why did the 'New Liberals' turn away from Gladstonian Liberalism? [25]

(b) Why did the House of Lords reject the 'People's Budget' in 1909? [25]

OR

6 Women and the Vote: 1900–1918

(a) Why did the WSPU choose militant action? [25]

(b) Why was the vote not given to all women in 1918? [25]

The End of Consensus: Britain 1945–1990

Answer BOTH parts of your chosen question.

Answer EITHER

7 The Heath Government (1970–1974): the beginning of the end of consensus

(a) Why did the Heath Government break with the post-war consensus? [25]

(b) Why did the policies of the Heath Government divide public opinion? [25]

OR

8 The Thatcher Revolution (1983–1990): triumph and fall

(a) Why did some people support the domestic policies of the Thatcher Governments of the period 1983–1990? [25]

(b) Why, by 1990, had Thatcher lost support within the Conservative Party? [25]

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