

Monday 16 January 2012 – 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:

- 8 page Answer Booklet
(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 Assess the reasons why the call for the First Crusade was answered by so many. [50]
- 2 'The ability of the Kings of Jerusalem was the **main** reason the Crusader states survived for so long.' How far do you agree? [50]
- 3 Assess the reasons for the limited success of the Third Crusade. [50]

The Renaissance from c.1400–c.1550

- 4 Assess the reasons why the Renaissance began in fifteenth-century Italy. [50]
- 5 How important was Church patronage to the development of Renaissance art and architecture in Italy? [50]
- 6 To what extent was the northern Renaissance influenced by the cultural developments in Italy in the period to c.1550? [50]

Exploration and Discovery c.1445–c.1545

- 7 'Pursuit of wealth was the **main** reason for voyages of exploration.' How far do you agree? [50]
- 8 Assess the importance of da Gama and Cabral in the development of the Portuguese Empire. [50]
- 9 Assess the consequences for Mexico and Peru of the Spanish conquest. [50]

Spain 1469–1556

- 10 Assess the reasons why Isabella was able to consolidate her claim to the throne of Castile in the period to 1479. [50]
- 11 How successful were Ferdinand and Isabella in establishing their authority over the nobility? [50]
- 12 Assess the strengths and weaknesses of the Spanish monarchy in 1556. [50]

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

- 13 Assess the reasons why Luther came into conflict with the Catholic Church in the period to 1521. [50]
- 14 'Protection of Lutheranism by some princes was the **main** reason Charles V was unable to crush it.' How far do you agree? [50]
- 15 Assess the reasons why Charles V was at war with France for much of his reign. [50]

Philip II, Spain and the Netherlands, 1556–1609

- 16 How successful was Philip II in his religious policies in Spain? [50]
- 17 To what extent did Philip II achieve his aims in foreign policy? [50]
- 18 Assess the contribution of William of Orange to the Revolt of the Netherlands. [50]

Paper Total [100]

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