

# GCSE (9–1) History B (Schools History Project)

**J411/31 Viking Expansion, c.750–c.1050  
with The First Crusade, c.1070–1100**

Sample Question Paper

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## Date – Morning/Afternoon

Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes



**OCR supplied materials:**

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet

**Other materials required:**

- None



### INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Section A – Viking Expansion, c.750–c.1050: Answer questions 1 (a–c), 2, 3 and **either** question 4 **or** question 5.
- Section B – The First Crusade, c.1070–1100: Answer questions 6 and 7, and **either** question 8 **or** question 9.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

### INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **80**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [ ].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (\*).
- This document consists of **8** pages.

**Section A****Viking Expansion, c.750–c.1050**

Answer questions 1 (a–c), 2 and 3.

- 1.
- (a) Name **one** Viking god. [1]
  - (b) Name **one** of the major rivers that Vikings used to sail deep into Russia. [1]
  - (c) Give **one** example of a country that was ruled by King Cnut as part of his empire. [1]
2. Write a clear and organised summary that analyses Viking contact with the Arab world. Support your summary with examples. [9]
3. What caused Viking raids in the west between 793 and 850? Support your answer with examples. [10]

Answer **either** question 4 **or** question 5.

- 4.\* “The study of Viking society in their homelands of Scandinavia shows us that they were much more than just warriors”. How far do you agree with this statement? Give reasons for your answer. [18]
- 5.\* How far do you agree that the Vikings were quickly converted to Christianity? Give reasons for your answer. [18]

**Section B****The First Crusade, c.1070–1100**

Answer questions 6 and 7.

6. What can Source A tell us about the Battle of Dorylaeum? Use the source and your own knowledge to support your answer.

[7]

**Source A – From *The Deeds of the Franks*, first published c.1100**

*An account of the Battle of Dorylaeum. It was written by a Christian soldier who was there at the time. The battle took place in July 1097 as the crusaders were crossing Muslim lands in what is now Turkey.*

The Turks came at us from all sides, brandishing their weapons and hurling them and shooting arrows from an incredible distance. We knew we could not withstand them or hold the weight of so many enemies, but we went forward to meet them as one. Our women were a great help to us that day, bringing water to drink for the fighters and encouraging those who were fighting and defending [...] Our men asked in astonishment where such a multitude of Turks, Arabs, Saracens and others whose name I do not know had come from, because all the mountains, hills and valleys were filled with these people. Then a secret message was sent out among us [...] stating, "Come what may, stand firm in the faith of Christ and have faith in the victory of the Holy Cross, because today, if it pleases God, all riches shall be given you."

7. How useful are Source B and Interpretations C and D for a historian studying how the crusaders survived the siege of Antioch in June 1098? In your answer, refer to the source and the two interpretations as well as your own knowledge.

[15]

**Source B – From the chronicle of Raymond d’Aguilers, written c.1101**

*A crusader’s account of how they discovered an ancient object under the floor of a church in Antioch where they were under siege. Many of them believed that they had found the Holy Lance that pierced Christ’s side as he died on the cross.*

After we had dug from morning to evening, some began to despair of finding the Lance. The youth who had spoken of the Lance, saw that we were worn out, and took off his shoes and coat and descended into the pit in his shirt, earnestly begging us to pray that God would give us his Lance for the comfort and victory of His people. Finally, in His mercy, the Lord showed us His Lance. And I, who have written this, kissed it when the point alone had as yet appeared above ground. What great joy and exultation then filled the city I cannot describe [...] When our men felt defeated, discouraged and under severe pressure, this divine aid appeared.

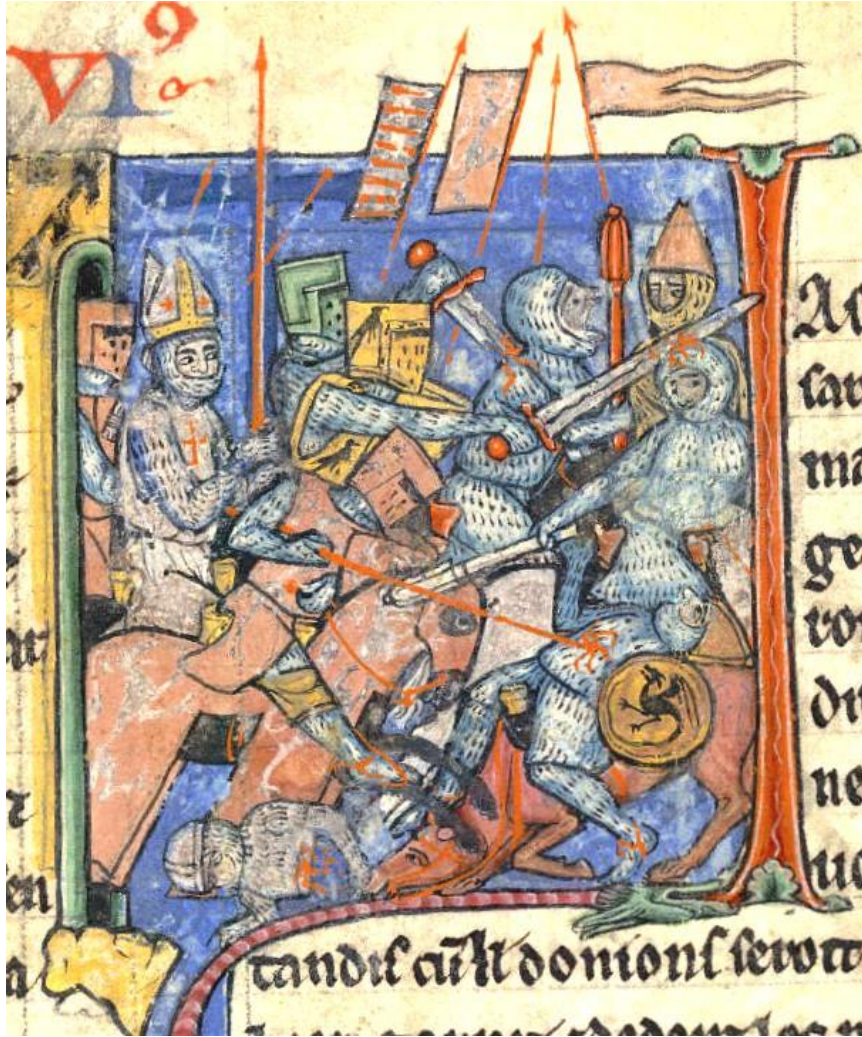
**Interpretation C – From *The Crusades* by Thomas Asbridge, 2010**

*Historian Thomas Asbridge writes about the Battle of Antioch that ended the siege on 28 June 1098.*

The Battle of Antioch was a stunning victory. Never before had the crusade come so close to destruction and yet, against all expectation, Christendom had triumphed. Not surprisingly, many saw the hand of God at work and an array of spectacular miracles was reported. It was said that an army of ghostly Christian martyrs, clad all in white and led by soldier saints appeared out of the mountains to aid the Franks. Elsewhere on the battlefield, Raymond of Aguilers himself carried the Holy Lance in among the southern French contingent led by Bishop Adhemar. It was later said that the sight of the relic paralysed Kerbogha, the Muslim leader.

**Interpretation D – From a version of the chronicle of William of Tyre, made between 1232 and 1261**

*The illustration shows the battle at Antioch (June 1098). Bishop Adhemar, a crusader leader, is shown on the left, carrying the Holy Lance.*



Answer **either** question 8 **or** question 9.

8.\* “The People’s Crusade of 1095–1096 was a catastrophic failure”. How far do you agree with this view?

[18]

9.\* “The Islamic world was hopelessly weak and divided in the years just before the First Crusade”. How far do you agree with this view?

[18]

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**GCSE (9–1) HISTORY B (SCHOOLS HISTORY PROJECT)**

**J411/31 Viking Expansion, c.750–c.1050 with The First Crusade, c.1070–1100**

**SAMPLE MARK SCHEME**

**Duration:** 1 hour 45 minutes

**MAXIMUM MARK 80**

**This document consists of 24 pages**

**MARKING INSTRUCTIONS****PREPARATION FOR MARKING****SCORIS**

1. Make sure that you have accessed and completed the relevant training packages for on–screen marking: *scoris assessor Online Training*; *OCR Essential Guide to Marking*.
2. Make sure that you have read and understood the mark scheme and the question paper for this unit. These are posted on the RM Cambridge Assessment Support Portal <http://www.rm.com/support/ca>
3. Log–in to scoris and mark the **required number** of practice responses (“scripts”) and the **required number** of standardisation responses.

YOU MUST MARK 10 PRACTICE AND 10 STANDARDISATION RESPONSES BEFORE YOU CAN BE APPROVED TO MARK LIVE SCRIPTS.

**TRADITIONAL**

Before the Standardisation meeting you must mark at least 10 scripts from several centres. For this preliminary marking you should use **pencil** and follow the **mark scheme**. Bring these **marked scripts** to the meeting.

**MARKING**

1. Mark strictly to the mark scheme.
2. Marks awarded must relate directly to the marking criteria.
3. The schedule of dates is very important. It is essential that you meet the scoris 50% and 100% (traditional 50% Batch 1 and 100% Batch 2) deadlines. If you experience problems, you must contact your Team Leader (Supervisor) without delay.
4. If you are in any doubt about applying the mark scheme, consult your Team Leader by telephone, email or via the scoris messaging system.

5. Work crossed out:
  - a. where a candidate crosses out an answer and provides an alternative response, the crossed out response is not marked and gains no marks
  - b. if a candidate crosses out an answer to a whole question and makes no second attempt, and if the inclusion of the answer does not cause a rubric infringement, the assessor should attempt to mark the crossed out answer and award marks appropriately.
6. Always check the pages (and additional objects if present) at the end of the response in case any answers have been continued there. If the candidate has continued an answer there then add a tick to confirm that the work has been seen.
7. There is a NR (No Response) option. Award NR (No Response)
  - if there is nothing written at all in the answer space
  - OR if there is a comment which does not in any way relate to the question (e.g. 'can't do', 'don't know')
  - OR if there is a mark (e.g. a dash, a question mark) which isn't an attempt at the question.Note: Award 0 marks – for an attempt that earns no credit (including copying out the question).
8. The scoris **comments box** is used by your Team Leader to explain the marking of the practice responses. Please refer to these comments when checking your practice responses. **Do not use the comments box for any other reason.** If you have any questions or comments for your Team Leader, use the phone, the scoris messaging system, or e-mail.
9. Assistant Examiners will send a brief report on the performance of candidates to their Team Leader (Supervisor) via email by the end of the marking period. The report should contain notes on particular strengths displayed as well as common errors or weaknesses. Constructive criticism of the question paper/mark scheme is also appreciated.
10. For answers marked by levels of response:
  - a. **To determine the level** – start at the highest level and work down until you reach the level that matches the answer
  - b. **To determine the mark within the level**, consider the following:

Descriptor	Award mark
On the borderline of this level and the one below	At bottom of level
Just enough achievement on balance for this level	Above bottom and either below middle or at middle of level (depending on number of marks available)
Meets the criteria but with some slight inconsistency	Above middle and either below top of level or at middle of level (depending on number of marks available)
Consistently meets the criteria for this level	At top of level

11. Please note: the Assessment Objectives targeted by each question and the maximum marks available for each Assessment Objective are given at the top of each levels mark scheme for each question. Unless otherwise stated the weightings of the assessment objectives remain consistent throughout the levels. For example if the maximum marks are 6 AO1, 3 AO2, then the AO1/AO2 ratio will be 2/1 throughout the levels.

12. **Annotations**

Annotation	Meaning

### 13. Subject-specific Marking Instructions

#### INTRODUCTION

Your first task as an Examiner is to become thoroughly familiar with the material on which the examination depends. This material includes:

- the specification, especially the assessment objectives
- the question paper and its rubrics
- the mark scheme.

You should ensure that you have copies of these materials.

You should ensure also that you are familiar with the administrative procedures related to the marking process. These are set out in the OCR booklet **Instructions for Examiners**. If you are examining for the first time, please read carefully **Appendix 5 Introduction to Script Marking: Notes for New Examiners**.

Please ask for help or guidance whenever you need it. Your first point of contact is your Team Leader.

**USING THE MARK SCHEME**

Please study this Mark Scheme carefully. The Mark Scheme is an integral part of the process that begins with the setting of the question paper and ends with the awarding of grades. Question papers and Mark Schemes are developed in association with each other so that issues of differentiation and positive achievement can be addressed from the very start.

This Mark Scheme is a working document; it is not exhaustive; it does not provide 'correct' answers. The Mark Scheme can only provide 'best guesses' about how the question will work out, and it is subject to revision after we have looked at a wide range of scripts.

The Examiners' Standardisation Meeting will ensure that the Mark Scheme covers the range of candidates' responses to the questions, and that all Examiners understand and apply the Mark Scheme in the same way. The Mark Scheme will be discussed and amended at the meeting, and administrative procedures will be confirmed. Co-ordination scripts will be issued at the meeting to exemplify aspects of candidates' responses and achievements; the co-ordination scripts then become part of this Mark Scheme.

Before the Standardisation Meeting, you should read and mark in pencil a number of scripts, in order to gain an impression of the range of responses and achievement that may be expected.

Please read carefully all the scripts in your allocation and make every effort to look positively for achievement throughout the ability range. Always be prepared to use the full range of marks.

**INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR EXAMINERS**

- 1 The co-ordination scripts provide you with *examples* of the standard of each band. The marks awarded for these scripts will have been agreed by the Team Leaders and will be discussed fully at the Examiners' Co-ordination Meeting.
- 2 The specific task-related indicative content for each question will help you to understand how the band descriptors may be applied. However, this indicative content does not constitute the mark scheme: it is material that candidates might use, grouped according to each assessment objective tested by the question. It is hoped that candidates will respond to questions in a variety of ways. Rigid demands for 'what must be a good answer' would lead to a distorted assessment.
- 3 Candidates' answers must be relevant to the question. Beware of prepared answers that do not show the candidate's thought and which have not been adapted to the thrust of the question. Beware also of answers where candidates attempt to reproduce interpretations and concepts that they have been taught but have only partially understood.

## Section A: Viking Expansion, c.750–c.1050

<b>Question 1 – 3 marks</b>	
(a) Name one Viking god.	
(b) Name one of the major rivers that Vikings used to sail deep into Russia.	
(c) Give one example of a country that was ruled by King Cnut as part of his empire.	
<b>Guidance</b>	<b>Indicative content</b>
1(a) – 1 mark for any answer that offers an historically valid response drawing on knowledge of characteristic features (AO1)	<i>For 1(a), likely valid responses include: Thor, (W)Odin, Freyja and Frigg.</i>
1(b) – 1 mark for any answer that offers an historically valid response drawing on knowledge of characteristic features (AO1)	<i>For 1(b), likely valid responses include: Volga, Dnieper, Neva, Volkhov, Dvina, Don</i>
1(c) – 1 mark for any answer that offers an historically valid response drawing on knowledge of characteristic features (AO1)	<i>For 1(c) likely valid responses include: England; Norway; Denmark; Sweden (or parts of Sweden). Ireland, Normandy, Poland were not parts of Cnut's empire but paid tribute and therefore cannot be credited with a mark.</i>  Any other historically valid response is acceptable and should be credited.



<b>Question 2 – 9 marks</b>	
<b>Write a clear and organised summary that analyses Viking contact with the Arab world. Support your summary with examples.</b>	
<b>Levels</b>	<b>Notes and guidance specific to the question set</b>
<b>AO1</b> Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. <b>Maximum 6 marks</b>	
<b>AO2</b> Explain and analyse historical events and periods studied using second-order historical concepts. <b>Maximum 3 marks</b>	
<b>Level 3 (7–9 marks)</b>	
Demonstrates a well-selected range of valid knowledge of characteristic features that are fully relevant to the question, in ways that show secure understanding of them (AO1).	<i>Answers should show connections in the situation defined in the question and use these to organise the answer logically.</i>
The way the summary is organised shows sustained logical coherence, demonstrating clear use of at least one second order concept in finding connections and providing a logical chain of reasoning to summarise the historical situation in the question (AO2).	<i>Answers could consider aspects of one or more of the following: accounts of how the Vikings met Muslim Arabs in southern Russia and central Asia as well as in Muslim Spain and Morocco; how they almost certainly reached Baghdad; the nature of goods they traded; Arab descriptions of Vikings.</i>
<b>Level 2 (4–6 marks)</b>	
Demonstrates a range of knowledge of characteristic features that are relevant to the question, in ways that show understanding of them (AO1).	<i>Use of conceptual understanding to organise the response might in this case involve similarity and difference and change, e.g. distinguishing by geographical regions, or by time (first contacts and later trade) or by activity.</i>
The way the summary is organised shows some logical coherence, demonstrating use of at least one second order concept in finding connections and providing a logical chain of reasoning to summarise the historical situation in the question (AO2).	<i>Answers may show understanding of second order concepts such as causation and consequence (e.g. why Vikings and Arabs met or reasons for actions), similarity and difference within situations (e.g. between the two groups).</i>
<b>Level 1 (1–3 marks)</b>	
Demonstrates some knowledge of characteristic features with some relevance to the question, in ways that show some limited understanding of them (AO1).	<i>Please note that answers do not need to name the second order concepts being used to organise their answer, but the concepts do need to be apparent from the connections and chains of reasoning in the summary in order to meet the AO2 descriptors (see levels descriptors).</i>
The summary shows a very basic logical coherence, demonstrating limited use of at least one second order concept in attempting to find connections and to provide a logical chain of reasoning to summarise the historical situation in the question (AO2).	
<b>0 marks</b>	
No response or no response worthy of credit.	<i>No reward can be given for wider knowledge of the period that is unrelated to the topic in the question.</i>

<b>Question 3 – 10 marks</b>	
<b>What caused Viking raids in the west between 793 and 850? Support your answer with examples.</b>	
<b>Levels</b> <b>AO1</b> Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. <b>Maximum 5 marks</b> <b>AO2</b> Explain and analyse historical events and periods studied using second-order historical concepts. <b>Maximum 5 marks</b>	<b>Notes and guidance specific to the question set</b>
<b>Level 5 (9–10 marks)</b> Demonstrates strong knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show secure understanding of them (AO1). Uses these to show sophisticated understanding of one or more second order concepts in a fully sustained and very well-supported explanation (AO2).	<p><i>Explanations could consider: the land–hunger theory; climate–change theory; Viking beliefs in the value/virtue of war; reaction to Christian missionary work pressing into Scandinavia; Christians trading on more favourable terms with fellow Christians; the tempting wealth of western churches and monasteries; weakness and division in England / western Europe especially after death of Charlemagne.</i></p> <p><i>Explanations are most likely to show understanding of the second order concept of causation but reward appropriate understanding of any other second order concept.</i></p> <p><i>Answers which simply describe Viking raids cannot reach beyond Level 1.</i></p>
<b>Level 4 (7–8 marks)</b> Demonstrates sound knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show secure understanding of them (AO1). Uses these to show strong understanding of one or more second order concepts in a sustained and well-supported explanation (AO2).	
<b>Level 3 (5–6 marks)</b> Demonstrates sound knowledge of key features and characteristics of period in ways that show some understanding of them (AO1). Uses these to show sound understanding of one or more second order concepts in a generally coherent and organised explanation (AO2).	
<b>Level 2 (3–4 marks)</b> Demonstrates some knowledge of features and characteristics of the period in ways that show some understanding of them (AO1). Uses these to show some understanding of one or more second order concepts in a loosely organised explanation (AO2).	
<b>Level 1 (1–2 marks)</b> Demonstrates some knowledge of features and characteristics of the period (AO1). Uses these to show some basic understanding of one or more second order concepts, although the overall response may lack structure and coherence (AO2).	
<b>0 marks</b> No response or no response worthy of credit.	

<b>Question 4* – 18 marks</b>	
<b>“The study of Viking society in their homelands of Scandinavia shows us that they were much more than just warriors”. How far do you agree with this statement? Give reasons for your answer.</b>	
<b>Levels</b>	<b>Notes and guidance specific to the question set</b>
<p><b>AO1</b> Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. <b>Maximum 6 marks</b></p> <p><b>AO2</b> Explain and analyse historical events and periods studied using second-order historical concepts. <b>Maximum 12 marks</b></p>	
<p><b>Level 6 (16–18 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates strong knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show very secure and thorough understanding of them (AO1).</p> <p>Shows sophisticated understanding of appropriate second order concepts in setting out a sustained, consistently focused and convincing explanation and reaching a very well-supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2). <i>There is a well-developed and sustained line of reasoning which is coherent, relevant and logically structured.</i></p>	<p><i>It is possible to reach the highest marks either by agreeing or disagreeing or anywhere between, providing the response matches the level description. BUT, to achieve the two highest levels, answers must consider the warlike nature of Viking society through gods relating to war, weapons and artefacts, for example.</i></p>
<p><b>Level 5 (13–15 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates strong knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show secure understanding of them (AO1). Shows very strong understanding of appropriate second order concepts in setting out a sustained and convincing explanation and reaching a well-supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2). <i>There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is coherent, relevant and logically structured.</i></p>	<p><i>Answers are most likely to show understanding of the second order concepts of diversity (similarity and difference in Viking society) or change and continuity as the Vikings spread and society developed but reward appropriate understanding of any other second order concept.</i></p>
<p><b>Level 4 (10–12 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates sound knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show secure understanding of them (AO1). Shows strong understanding of appropriate second order concepts in setting out a sustained and generally convincing explanation to reach a supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2). <i>There is a developed line of reasoning which is clear, relevant and logically structured.</i></p>	<p><i>Grounds for agreeing include: any consideration of Viking social hierarchies, laws, domestic life, the quality of their crafts and the trade across their homelands and the value placed on family and honour.</i></p>
<p><b>Level 3 (7–9 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates sound knowledge of key features and characteristics of period in ways that show some understanding of them (AO1). Shows sound understanding of appropriate second order concepts in making a reasonably sustained attempt to explain ideas and reach a supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2). <i>There is a line of reasoning presented which is mostly relevant and which has some structure.</i></p>	<p><i>Grounds for disagreeing include: the emphasis on war and fighting in Viking religion and culture; the fact that many Viking treasures are associated with war e.g. longships and swords.</i></p>

<p><b>Level 2 (4–6 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates some knowledge of features and characteristics of the period in ways that show some understanding of them (AO1). Shows some understanding of appropriate second order concepts managing in a limited way to explain ideas and reach a loosely supported judgment about the issue in the question (AO2).</p> <p><i>There is a line of reasoning which has some relevance and which is presented with limited structure.</i></p>	
<p><b>Level 1 (1–3 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates some knowledge of features and characteristics of the period (AO1). Shows some basic understanding of appropriate second order concept(s) but any attempt to explain ideas and reach a judgment on the issue in the question is unclear or lacks historical validity (AO2).</p> <p><i>The information is communicated in a basic/unstructured way.</i></p>	
<p><b>0 marks</b></p> <p>No response or no response worth of credit.</p>	

<b>Question 5* – 18 marks</b>	
<b>How far do you agree that the Vikings were quickly converted to Christianity? Give reasons for your answer.</b>	
<b>Levels</b>	<b>Notes and guidance specific to the question set</b>
<b>AO1</b> Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. <b>Maximum 6 marks</b>	
<b>AO2</b> Explain and analyse historical events and periods studied using second-order historical concepts. <b>Maximum 12 marks</b>	
<b>Level 6 (16–18 marks)</b>	<p><i>It is possible to reach the highest marks either by agreeing or disagreeing or anywhere between, providing the response matches the level description.</i></p> <p><i>Answers that seek to agree or disagree strongly with the statement must make it clear that they are not trying to make the same claim for both Scandinavia and the lands where the Vikings settled as there is a strong distinction. (see below). If the answer only considers the Vikings in their homelands or in the lands where they settled, it cannot move beyond Level 3 as they are not showing the “very secure understanding” of characteristic features required at Level 4.</i></p> <p><i>Answers are most likely to show understanding of the second order concepts of change, continuity and causation (when and why the conversions happened) but reward appropriate understanding of any other second order concept.</i></p> <p><i>Grounds for agreeing include: Vikings who had settled in Christian lands did convert quite quickly. Sometimes the conversion was a political move by a leader which could produce very speedy change of religion at one level. Viking traders too might accept Christianity in some measure to gain full trading rights with Christians.</i></p> <p><i>Grounds for disagreeing include: The Viking homelands in Scandinavia were slow to convert to Christianity. Lack of central authority meant any progress was piecemeal according to each local chief. Even if a chief or king did convert for political or religious reasons this did not guarantee Christian dominance and Christianity and paganism continued side by side.</i></p>
Demonstrates strong knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show very secure and thorough understanding of them (AO1).	
Shows sophisticated understanding of appropriate second order concepts in setting out a sustained, consistently focused and convincing explanation and reaching a very well-supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2).	
<i>There is a well-developed and sustained line of reasoning which is coherent, relevant and logically structured.</i>	
<b>Level 5 (13–15 marks)</b>	
Demonstrates strong knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show secure understanding of them (AO1). Shows very strong understanding of appropriate second order concepts in setting out a sustained and convincing explanation and reaching a well-supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2).	
<i>There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is coherent, relevant and logically structured.</i>	
<b>Level 4 (10–12 marks)</b>	
Demonstrates sound knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show secure understanding of them (AO1). Shows strong understanding of appropriate second order concepts in setting out a sustained and generally convincing explanation to reach a supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2).	
<i>There is a developed line of reasoning which is clear, relevant and logically structured.</i>	
<b>Level 3 (7–9 marks)</b>	
Demonstrates sound knowledge of key features and characteristics of period in ways that show some understanding of them (AO1). Shows sound understanding of appropriate second order concepts in making a reasonably sustained attempt to explain ideas and reach a supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2).	
<i>There is a line of reasoning presented which is mostly relevant and which has some structure.</i>	

<p><b>Level 2 (4–6 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates some knowledge of features and characteristics of the period in ways that show some understanding of them (AO1). Shows some understanding of appropriate second order concepts managing in a limited way to explain ideas and reach a loosely supported judgment about the issue in the question (AO2).</p> <p><i>There is a line of reasoning which has some relevance and which is presented with limited structure.</i></p>	
<p><b>Level 1 (1–3 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates some knowledge of features and characteristics of the period (AO1). Shows some basic understanding of appropriate second order concept(s) but any attempt to explain ideas and reach a judgment on the issue in the question is unclear or lacks historical validity (AO2).</p> <p><i>The information is communicated in a basic/unstructured way.</i></p>	
<p><b>0 marks</b></p> <p>No response or no response worthy of credit.</p>	

## Section B: The First Crusade, c.1070–1100

Question 6 – 7 marks What can Source A tell us about the Battle of Dorylaeum? Use the source and your own knowledge to support your answer.	
Levels	Notes and guidance specific to the question set
<p><b>AO1</b> Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. <b>Maximum 2 marks</b></p> <p><b>AO3</b> Analyse sources (contemporary to the period). <b>Maximum 5 marks</b></p> <p><b>Please note that that while the weightings of AO1 to AO3 are equal in levels 1, AO3 carries greater weight in level 2 and greater weight again in level 3.</b></p>	
<p><b>Level 3 (6–7 marks)</b></p> <p>The response shows knowledge and understanding of relevant key features and characteristics (AO1). Shows strong awareness of how sources can be used critically and constructively by e.g. considering the limitations and/or benefits of the source, using wider contextual knowledge to confirm, challenge or raise questions about what the source says or shows to analyse the source to identify a wide range of features that relate to the focus of the question; some of which may be inferred rather than directly stated in the source (AO3).</p>	<p><i>Valid features that answers could identify include: the composition of the Muslim army; the relative size of the two armies; the weapons used by the Muslims; the fact that women were part of the crusade and that they played a part in this battle; the shock of the crusaders at the size and strength of the Muslim force; the crusaders' faith in God and desire for riches.</i></p> <p><i>Examples of relevant additional characteristic features shown at levels 2 or 3 could include: this was just part of the full crusader force; that the battle was an ambush; the nature of warfare; that the Muslim force was led by Kilij Arslan who had crushed the People's Crusade; that the Crusaders plundered the Turks' camp and gained plunder.</i></p> <p><i>There is no requirement to mention limitations but examples of limitations include: We do not have a Muslim account of the battle; battles are chaotic and one person's experience may differ from others'.</i></p>
<p><b>Level 2 (3–5 marks)</b></p> <p>The response shows knowledge and understanding of relevant key features and characteristics (AO1). Shows some awareness of how sources can be used critically and constructively by e.g. considering the limitations and/or benefits of the source, using wider contextual knowledge to confirm, challenge or raise questions about what the source says or shows to analyse the source to identify some features that relate to the focus of the question; some of which may be inferred rather than directly stated in the source (AO3).</p>	<p><i>No reward can be given for raising concerns over the limitations of the source unless this is explicitly used to help to say what the source "can tell us" in relation to the focus of the question.</i></p>
<p><b>Level 1 (1–2 marks)</b></p> <p>The response shows knowledge of features and characteristics (AO1). Analyses the source to identify at least one feature that relates to the focus of the question; this may be inferred rather than directly stated in the source (AO3).</p>	
<p><b>0 marks</b></p> <p>No response or no response worthy of credit.</p>	<p><i>No reward can be given for wider knowledge of the period that is unrelated to the topic in the question.</i></p>

<b>Question 7 – 15 marks</b>	
<b>How useful are Source B and Interpretations C and D for a historian studying how the crusaders survived the siege of Antioch in June 1098? In your answer, refer to the source and the two interpretations as well as your own knowledge.</b>	
<p><b>Levels</b></p> <p><b>AO1</b> Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. <b>Maximum 5 marks</b></p> <p><b>AO3</b> Analyse, evaluate and use sources (contemporary to the period) to make substantiated judgements, in the context of historical events studied. <b>Maximum 5 marks</b></p> <p><b>AO4</b> Analyse, evaluate and make substantiated judgements about interpretations in the context of historical events studied. <b>Maximum 5 marks</b></p> <p><b>Please note that while the descriptors for AO3 and AO4 are given separately in the levels, the analysis and evaluation of sources and interpretations may be combined in responses.</b></p>	<p><b>Notes and guidance specific to the question set</b></p>
<p><b>Level 5 (13–15 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates strong knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show secure understanding of them (AO1).</p> <p>Analyses the source(s) to identify features appropriate to the question (e.g. by considering specific details, provenance, making valid inferences, etc.). Sets out a sustained, consistently focused and convincing evaluation reaching a well-substantiated judgment about the usefulness of the source(s) in relation to the issue in the question (AO3).</p> <p>Analyses the interpretation(s) to identify features appropriate to the question (e.g. by considering specific details, provenance, making valid inferences etc.). Sets out a sustained, consistently focused and convincing evaluation reaching a well-substantiated judgment about the usefulness of the interpretation(s) in relation to the issue in the question (AO4).</p>	<p><i>Analysis of the source and interpretations could identify features such as: people who took part; re–stating events that either happened or were believed to have happened; inferring that Raymond of Aguilers was an eye witness; noting the discrepancy about who carried the lance into battle; crusader victory was achieved against the odds.</i></p> <p><i>Understanding of appropriate characteristic features could include: aspects of Christian culture; events leading to the discovery of the lance; the devotion and penance that followed the discovery; crusader desperation and desertion during the siege; some crusader leaders doubted lance’s authenticity.</i></p>
<p><b>Level 4 (10–12 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates sound knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show secure understanding of them (AO1).</p> <p>Analyses the source(s) to identify features appropriate to the question (e.g. by considering specific details, provenance, making valid inferences, etc.). Sets out a sustained and generally convincing evaluation reaching a substantiated judgment about the usefulness of the source(s) in relation to the issue in the question (AO3).</p> <p>Analyses the interpretation(s) to identify features appropriate to the question (e.g. by considering specific details, provenance, making valid inferences, etc.). Sets out a sustained and generally convincing evaluation reaching a substantiated judgment about the usefulness of the interpretation(s) in relation to the issue in the question (AO4).</p>	<p><i>Limitations that may affect usefulness include: B and D are by medieval Christians; other sources forefront doubts of some leaders; image is from 13<sup>th</sup> century; D says Adhemar carried Lance, C says it was Raymond.</i></p> <p><i>No reward can be given for raising concerns over the limitations unless this is explicitly used to help to say how it affects usefulness for the context given.</i></p> <p><i>Evaluation of usefulness may also involve making valid substantiated suggestions of other lines of enquiry for which the collection may be useful, but the focus given in the question must also be addressed.</i></p>



<p><b>Level 3 (7–9 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates sound knowledge of key features and characteristics of period in ways that show some understanding of them (AO1).</p> <p>Analyses the source(s) to identify features appropriate to the question (e.g. by considering specific details, provenance, making valid inferences, etc.). Sets out a partial evaluation with some explanation of ideas reaching a supported judgment about the usefulness of the source(s) in relation to the issue in the question (AO3).</p> <p>Analyses the interpretation(s) to identify features appropriate to the question (e.g. by considering specific details, provenance, making valid inferences, etc.). Sets out a partial evaluation with some explanation of ideas reaching a supported judgment about the usefulness of the interpretation(s) in relation to the issue in the question (AO4).</p>	<p><i>No reward can be given for wider knowledge of the period that is unrelated to the topic in the question.</i></p>
<p><b>Level 2 (4–6 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates some knowledge of features and characteristics of the period in ways that show some understanding of them (AO1).</p> <p>Analyses the source(s) to identify features appropriate to the question (e.g. by considering specific details, provenance, making valid inferences, etc.). Gives a basic evaluation with some limited explanation of ideas and a loosely supported judgment about usefulness of the source(s) in relation to the issue in the question (AO3).</p> <p>Analyses the interpretation(s) to identify features appropriate to the question (e.g. by considering specific details, provenance, making valid inferences, etc.). Gives a basic evaluation with some limited explanation of ideas and a loosely supported judgment about the usefulness of the interpretation(s) in relation to the issue in the question (AO4).</p>	
<p><b>Level 1 (1–3 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates some knowledge of features and characteristics of the period (AO1).</p> <p>Analyses the source(s) to identify features appropriate to the question e.g. by considering specific details, provenance, making valid inferences, making appropriate cross-references or identifying significant themes that they have in common.(AO3)</p> <p>Analyses the interpretation(s) to identify features appropriate to the question e.g. by considering specific details, provenance, making valid inferences, making appropriate cross-references or identifying significant themes that they have in common.(AO4)</p> <p>There is either no attempt to evaluate and reach a judgment about usefulness of the interpretation(s) and the source(s) in relation to the issue in the question, or there is an assertion but this lacks any support or historical validity</p>	
<p><b>0 marks</b></p> <p>No response or no response worthy of credit.</p>	

Question 8* – 18 marks	
The People's Crusade of 1095–1096 was a catastrophic failure. How far do you agree with this view?	
Levels	Notes and guidance specific to the question set
<p><b>AO1</b> Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. <b>Maximum 6 marks</b></p> <p><b>AO2</b> Explain and analyse historical events and periods studied using second-order historical concepts. <b>Maximum 12 marks</b></p>	
<p><b>Level 6 (16–18 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates strong knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show very secure and thorough understanding of them (AO1).</p> <p>Shows sophisticated understanding of appropriate second order concepts in setting out a sustained, consistently focused and convincing explanation and reaching a very well-supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2). <i>There is a well-developed and sustained line of reasoning which is coherent, relevant and logically structured.</i></p>	<p><i>Answers that mistake the People's Crusade for the longer First Crusade led by the Princes may be awarded some marks at Level 1 if the response mentions issues common to both e.g. recruitment or motivation or logistical problems. Otherwise, in this context, no marks at Level 2 or beyond can be awarded.</i></p>
<p><b>Level 5 (13–15 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates strong knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show secure understanding of them (AO1). Shows very strong understanding of appropriate second order concepts in setting out a sustained and convincing explanation and reaching a well-supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2). <i>There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is coherent, relevant and logically structured.</i></p>	<p><i>It is possible to reach the highest marks either by agreeing or disagreeing or anywhere between, providing the response matches the level description.</i></p> <p><i>Answers are most likely to show understanding of the second order concepts of significance (judging success / failure) and change (contrast start / finish of People's Crusade) but reward appropriate understanding of any other second order concept.</i></p>
<p><b>Level 4 (10–12 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates sound knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show secure understanding of them (AO1). Shows strong understanding of appropriate second order concepts in setting out a sustained and generally convincing explanation to reach a supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2). <i>There is a developed line of reasoning which is clear, relevant and logically structured.</i></p>	<p><i>Grounds for agreeing include: the ill-discipline that led to the massacre of Jews in Europe and the loss of thousands of crusaders as they crossed Europe; the failure to win the confidence of Emperor Alexios; his insistence that the crusaders cross to Asia Minor; the low number of well-trained military knights; over-eagerness and divisions in leadership; the crushing defeat at Civetot (Kibetos) in October 1096.</i></p>
<p><b>Level 3 (7–9 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates sound knowledge of key features and characteristics of period in ways that show some understanding of them (AO1). Shows sound understanding of appropriate second order concepts in making a reasonably sustained attempt to explain ideas and reach a supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2). <i>There is a line of reasoning presented which is mostly relevant and which has some structure.</i></p>	<p><i>Grounds for disagreeing may include: the effectiveness of Peter the Hermit as an inspirational leader; the mass enthusiasm for crusading that was the same in many ways as that shown by the main force; the continued presence of Peter the Hermit and some other survivors in the main force once it reached</i></p>
<p><b>Level 2 (4–6 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates some knowledge of features and characteristics of the period in ways that show some understanding of them (AO1). Shows some understanding of appropriate second order concepts managing in a limited way to explain ideas and reach a loosely supported judgment about the issue in the question (AO2). <i>There is a line of reasoning which has some relevance and which is presented with limited structure.</i></p>	

<p><b>Level 1 (1–3 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates some knowledge of features and characteristics of the period (AO1). Shows some basic understanding of appropriate second order concept(s) but any attempt to explain ideas and reach a judgment on the issue in the question is unclear or lacks historical validity (AO2).</p> <p><i>The information is communicated in a basic/unstructured way.</i></p>	<p><i>Constantinople and moved on into Asia Minor.</i></p>
<p><b>0 marks</b></p> <p>No response or no response worthy of credit.</p>	

Question 9* – 18 marks	
“The Islamic world was hopelessly weak and divided in the years just before the First Crusade”. How far do you agree with this view?	
Levels	Notes and guidance specific to the question set
<p><b>AO1</b> Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. <b>Maximum 6 marks</b></p> <p><b>AO2</b> Explain and analyse historical events and periods studied using second-order historical concepts. <b>Maximum 12 marks</b></p>	
<p><b>Level 6 (16–18 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates strong knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show very secure and thorough understanding of them (AO1).</p> <p>Shows sophisticated understanding of appropriate second order concepts in setting out a sustained, consistently focused and convincing explanation and reaching a very well-supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2). <i>There is a well-developed and sustained line of reasoning which is coherent, relevant and logically structured.</i></p>	<p><i>If events after 1095 and the launch of the First Crusade are used to show that the Islamic world was or was not divided, reward cannot be given beyond Level 2 unless the point is clearly made that these later events are revealing a division (or unity) that was in place pre-1095 i.e. they show question relevance but fail to note the time period given in the question.</i></p>
<p><b>Level 5 (13–15 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates strong knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show secure understanding of them (AO1). Shows very strong understanding of appropriate second order concepts in setting out a sustained and convincing explanation and reaching a well-supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2). <i>There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is coherent, relevant and logically structured.</i></p>	<p><i>It is possible to reach the highest marks either by agreeing or disagreeing or anywhere between, providing the response matches the level description. (Most answers will probably agree).</i></p> <p><i>Answers are most likely to show understanding of the second order concepts of causation (reasons for any weakness) and change (decline from position of strength) but reward appropriate understanding of any other second order concept.</i></p>
<p><b>Level 4 (10–12 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates sound knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period in ways that show secure understanding of them (AO1). Shows strong understanding of appropriate second order concepts in setting out a sustained and generally convincing explanation to reach a supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2). <i>There is a developed line of reasoning which is clear, relevant and logically structured.</i></p>	<p><i>Grounds for agreeing include: The weakness of the Abbasids; the rise of the Fatimids in Egypt and Palestine; the movement of Seljuk Turks from central Asia into modern Iraq and on into Asia Minor; family and warlord feuds notably in Syria and Palestine; the religious split between Sunnis (Abbasids and Seljuks) and Shi’ites (Fatimids).</i></p>
<p><b>Level 3 (7–9 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates sound knowledge of key features and characteristics of period in ways that show some understanding of them (AO1). Shows sound understanding of appropriate second order concepts in making a reasonably sustained attempt to explain ideas and reach a supported judgment on the issue in the question (AO2). <i>There is a line of reasoning presented which is mostly relevant and which has some structure.</i></p>	<p><i>Grounds for disagreeing include: The overall extent of the Islamic world and the potential to regroup; the fact that another strong leader like Malik Shah might have kept greater unity; the fact that the crusaders could have lost quite easily and that the weaknesses would not then be judged to be “hopeless”.</i></p>
<p><b>Level 2 (4–6 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates some knowledge of features and characteristics of the period in ways that show some understanding of them (AO1). Shows some understanding of appropriate second order concepts managing in a limited way to explain ideas and reach a loosely supported judgment about the issue in the question (AO2). <i>There is a line of reasoning which has some relevance and which is presented with limited structure.</i></p>	

<p><b>Level 1 (1–3 marks)</b></p> <p>Demonstrates some knowledge of features and characteristics of the period (AO1). Shows some basic understanding of appropriate second order concept(s) but any attempt to explain ideas and reach a judgment on the issue in the question is unclear or lacks historical validity (AO2).</p> <p><i>The information is communicated in a basic/unstructured way.</i></p>	
<p><b>0 marks</b></p> <p>No response or no response worthy of merit.</p>	

**Assessment Objectives (AO) grid  
Section A**

<b>Question</b>	<b>AO1</b>	<b>AO2</b>	<b>AO3</b>	<b>AO4</b>	<b>Marks</b>
<b>1 (a–c)</b>	<b>3</b>				<b>3</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>9</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>			<b>10</b>
<b>4/5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>			<b>18</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>			<b>40</b>

**Section B**

<b>Question</b>	<b>AO1</b>	<b>AO2</b>	<b>AO3</b>	<b>AO4</b>	<b>Marks</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>7</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>8/9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>			<b>18</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>40</b>

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