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A Level History A

Y210/01 Russia 1645–1741

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Time allowed: 1 hour



You must have:

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

INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Choose either Question 1 or Question 2 and answer all parts of the question.
- Write your answer to each question on the Answer Booklet.
- Do **not** write in the barcodes.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **30**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended responses will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- This document consists of **2** pages.

Answer **EITHER** all of Question 1 **OR** all of Question 2.

1 (a) Which of the following was the greatest barrier to modernisation in Russia before 1682?

(i) The nature of autocracy

(ii) The Orthodox Church

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]

(b)* To what extent were Peter the Great's economic reforms a success? [20]

OR

2 (a) Which of the following events was the greatest success in terms of foreign relations?

(i) The battle of Poltava

(ii) The war with Persia

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]

(b)* To what extent was Peter the Great threatened by opposition in the period 1682–1725? [20]

END OF QUESTION PAPER

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