

AS Level History A

Y247/01 Japan 1853-1937

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Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes



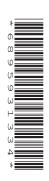
 the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet (OCR12 sent with general stationery)

INSTRUCTIONS

- · Use black ink.
- Answer either Question 1 or Question 2 in Section A and Question 3 in Section B.
- Write your answer to each question on the Answer Booklet.
- · Do **not** write in the barcodes.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **50**.
- 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 4 pages.



SECTION A

Answer **ONE** question.

EITHER

1* To what extent was opposition to the Shogunate influenced by foreign intervention in Japan in the period from 1853 to 1868? [30]

OR

2* 'The Manchuria incident of 1931 was the key factor that determined the course of nationalism in Japan in the period from 1920 to 1937.' How far do you agree? [30]

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SECTION B

3 Read the interpretation and then answer the question that follows:

'Revolutionary violence, for Ikki Kita, was not so much political as religious, the act of personal, spiritual liberation.'

lan Buruma, Inventing Japan 1853–1964 (2004)

Evaluate the strengths and limitations of this interpretation, making reference to other interpretations that you have studied. [20]

END OF QUESTION PAPER

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