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AS Level History A

Y237/01 The German Reformation and the rule of Charles V 1500–1559

Tuesday 22 May 2018 – Afternoon

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes



You must have:

- 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 answers in the Answer Booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.
- 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* Assess the reasons for the outbreak of the Schmalkaldic War in Germany in 1546. **[30]**

OR

2* How far was Charles V personally responsible for the failure to achieve a decisive victory against France by the end of his reign? **[30]**

SECTION B

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

“By the mid-1530s it seemed as if the advance of Protestantism was irresistible and that it would only be a matter of time before Catholicism would disappear in Germany.”

From: R. Tarr and K. Randall, *Luther and the Reformation in Europe 1500–64*, 2015

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

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