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AS Level History A

Y240/01 Russia 1645–1741

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* To what extent was Russia isolated from the West in the period 1645–1698? **[30]**

OR

2* “Opposition from the peasantry was always a threat in the period 1645–1725.” How far do you agree? **[30]**

SECTION B

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

“A strong source of support (for Peter) came from the nobility. Their tradition of service... and social standing made them essential to Peter.”

From J Swift, *Peter the Great*, 2000

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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