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## AS Level History A

**Y246/01** The USA in the 19th Century: Westward expansion and Civil War 1803–c.1890

**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 were Lincoln and the Republican Party responsible for the growth of sectional tension in the period 1850–1861? **[30]**

**OR**

- 2\*** 'Lincoln's leadership of the Union was a success during the Civil War.' How far do you agree? **[30]**

**SECTION B**

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

'Without Federal Government action – through territorial expansion, military protection and financial support – the rapid Westward expansion of the USA could not have taken place.'

From: D. Murphy, K. Cooper and M. Waldron, *The United States 1776–1992* (2001)

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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