



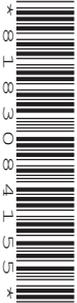
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**Wednesday 10 June 2020 – Morning**

**A Level History A**

**Y217/01 Japan 1853–1937**

**Time allowed: 1 hour**



**You must have:**

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Choose **one** question and answer **all** the parts of that question.

**INFORMATION**

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

**ADVICE**

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

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

1 (a) Which of the following contributed more to the instability of Japan between 1853 and 1868?

(i) Social tensions

(ii) The unequal treaties

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

(b)\* How important was the Sino-Japanese war in the expansion of Japan to 1920? [20]

**OR**

2 (a) Which of the following had the greater role in the growth of nationalism between 1920 and 1937?

(i) The accession of Hirohito

(ii) The Manchuria incident

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

(b)\* How far was the emergence of Japan as a major power in the years from 1868 to 1912, the result of economic factors? [20]

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**

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