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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 had the greater impact on post-war Japan during the period from 1920 to 1937?
- (i) Electoral reform
 - (ii) Social change
- Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]
- (b)* How important were internal changes in increasing resistance to the Shogunate? [20]

OR

- 2 (a) Which of the following was more important in the emergence of Japan as a major power?
- (i) Ending the power of the Samurai
 - (ii) The 1889 Constitution
- Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]
- (b)* 'Japan benefited from its participation in the First World War.' How far do you agree? [20]

END OF QUESTION PAPER

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