

Monday 20 May 2024 - Afternoon

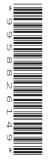
AS Level History A

Y249/01 Russia 1894–1941

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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.

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- Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Answer either Question 1 or Question 2 in Section A. Answer Question 3 in Section B.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- 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 4 pages.

ADVICE

Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

SECTION A

Answer Question 1 or Question 2.

1* 'Political problems were the most serious issue for Russia in 1894.'

How far do you agree? [30]

How important was the leadership of Lenin, in the period from April 1917 to the October [November]Revolution, to the success of the Bolshevik seizure of power?

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SECTION B

3 Read the interpretation and answer the question that follows.

'In ability, Witte towered above all the other ministers and officials in the government.'

M Lynch, Reaction and Revolution: Russia 1894–1924, published in 2008.

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

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END OF QUESTION PAPER

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