

Modified Enlarged 18pt

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS

Thursday 12 June 2025 – Morning

A Level History A

Y219/01 Russia 1894–1941

**Time allowed: 1 hour
plus your additional time allowance**

**YOU MUST HAVE:
the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet**

READ INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF



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 (*).

ADVICE

Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

Answer Question 1 OR Question 2.

1

(a) Which of the following had the greater impact on Russia during the period from 1894 to 1905?

(i) The influence of Pobedonostsev

(ii) The influence of Witte

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

(b)*‘Lenin’s leadership of Russia was NOT a success.’

How far do you agree? [20]

2

(a) Which of the following was more important in increasing Stalin’s control over the Russian people in the 1930s?

(i) Stalin’s ‘Cult of Personality’

(ii) The growth of the police state

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

(b)*‘The actions of Kerensky were the most important reason for Bolshevik success in Russia in 1917.’

How far do you agree? [20]

END OF QUESTION PAPER



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