

**ADVANCED GCE****HISTORY**

Themes in History 1066–1796

**2590**

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet

**OCR Supplied Materials:**

- 12 page Answer Booklet
- Insert (inserted)

**Other Materials Required:**

None

**Wednesday 20 January 2010**  
**Morning**

**Duration:** 1 hour 30 minutes**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name clearly in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Use black ink.
- Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- Every question is marked out of **60**.
- This paper contains questions on the following six Options:
  - England 1066–1228 (page 2)
  - England 1485–1603 (page 3)
  - England 1558–1689 (page 4)
  - Europe 1498–1610 (page 5)
  - Europe 1598–1715 (page 6)
  - Europe 1661–1796 (page 7)
- Each Option has one or more Themes. Each Theme has three questions.
- Answer any **two** questions.
- You should write in continuous prose and are reminded of the need for clear and accurate writing, including structure of argument, grammar, punctuation and spelling.
- Candidates are expected to demonstrate understanding of the issues in **each** of their selected questions over a period of **at least a hundred years** (unless an individual question specifies a slightly shorter period).
- Candidates are reminded of the synoptic nature of this Unit. Answers are required to demonstrate understanding of the processes of historical continuity, development and change across the **full breadth** of the period studied.
- This document consists of **8** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

**England 1066–1228**

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**Key Theme: The Government of England 1066–1216**

- 1 ‘The **most** important change in English central government in the period from 1066 to 1216 was the development of the office of chief justiciar.’ How far do you agree with this judgement?
- 2 ‘In the period from 1066 to 1216, England’s military needs were never completely met by feudalism.’ To what extent do you agree with this judgement?
- 3 ‘The **main** turning-point in the development of English common law in the period from 1066 to 1216 came in the reign of Henry II.’ How far do you agree with this judgement?

**Key Theme: Crown, Church and Papacy 1066–1228**

- 4 To what extent were the policies of Innocent III towards England typical of popes during the period from 1066 to 1228?
- 5 To what extent did the relationship between kings and their archbishops of Canterbury deteriorate in the period from 1066 to 1228?
- 6 ‘The growing power of the Church was the **main** reason for changes in the administration of Church law in the period from 1066 to 1228.’ How far do you agree with this assessment?

**England 1485–1603**

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**Key Theme: Rebellion and Disorder in England 1485–1603**

- 7 Assess the reasons why Tudor governments were able to deal with popular disorder so effectively.
- 8 ‘Social and economic conditions were always a factor but rarely the trigger.’ Assess this view of the causes of rebellions in Tudor England.
- 9 ‘A typical Tudor rebellion.’ To what extent do you agree with this view of the Pilgrimage of Grace in relation to the period from 1485 to 1603?

**Key Theme: England’s Changing Relations with Foreign Powers 1485–1603**

- 10 Assess the reasons for the changing relations between England and Spain in the course of the Tudor period.
- 11 Assess the importance of political factors in shaping Tudor foreign policy.
- 12 ‘Elizabeth I was more skilful than any of her Tudor predecessors in dealing with Scotland.’ To what extent do you agree with this view?

**England 1558–1689**

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**Key Theme: The Development of Limited Monarchy in England 1558–1689**

- 13 Assess the reasons why the role of parliament changed during the years from 1558 to 1689.
- 14 Which religious group presented the greatest challenge to the crown from 1558 to 1689? Explain your answer.
- 15 Assess the impact of social changes on the powers of the monarchy in the period from 1558 to 1689.

**Key Theme: Dissent and Conformity in England 1558–1689**

- 16 To what extent was Laud's time as archbishop the **main** turning-point in the development of the Church of England from 1559 to 1689?
- 17 How far did government attitudes towards English puritans change in the course of the period from 1558 to 1689?
- 18 Assess the reasons why the strength of anti-Catholic feeling in England varied during the period from 1558 to 1689.

**Europe 1498–1610**

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**Key Theme: The Development of the Nation State: France 1498–1610**

- 19** Which social groups in France gained most and which lost most during the period from 1498 to 1610? Explain your answer.
- 20** How far did the French Wars of Religion mark a turning-point in the development of the French nation state from 1498 to 1610?
- 21** How far do you agree that France was unified but not united during the period from 1498 to 1610?

**Key Theme: The Catholic Reformation in the Sixteenth Century**

- 22** Assess the reasons why the Jesuits were the most successful reforming order in the sixteenth-century Catholic Church.
- 23** How far were the aims and achievements (to c.1600) of the Council of Trent influenced by the Protestant Reformation?
- 24** Assess the difficulties facing the Papacy in its attempts to reform the Church from 1500 to 1600.

**Europe 1598–1715**

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**Key Theme: The Decline of Spain 1598–1700**

- 25 Explain why Spain suffered serious economic problems throughout the seventeenth century.
- 26 Which country did more to hasten the decline of Spain in the seventeenth century: the United Provinces or France? Explain your answer.
- 27 Who was **most** responsible for the decline of Spain as an international power in the seventeenth century: Philip III, Philip IV or Charles II? Explain your answer.

**Key Theme: The Ascendancy of France 1610–1715**

- 28 Assess the contributions of French ministers to the ascendancy of France from 1610 to 1715.
- 29 Assess how far the role of the French nobility changed from 1610 to 1715.
- 30 ‘France was a stronger international power in 1660 than at any other time from 1610 to 1715.’ How far do you agree with this view?

**Europe 1661–1796**

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**Key Theme: From Absolutism to Enlightened Despotism 1661–1796**

- 31** How far do you agree that the accession of Louis XV in 1715 was the **most** important turning-point in French absolutism during the period from 1661 to 1789?
- 32** Assess the claim that absolutism in Russia under Peter the Great and Catherine the Great was characterised more by continuity than change.
- 33** Assess the view that the Roman Catholic Church was untouched by the Enlightenment during the period from 1661 to 1796.



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