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Paper 1b British History Outlines, c.1399–c.1760

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2 hours 15 minutes



You must answer on the answer booklet/paper.

You will need: Answer booklet/paper

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **three** questions.
- If you have been given an answer booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet.
- Use a black or dark blue pen.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number on all the work you hand in.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- At the end of the examination, fasten all your work together. Do **not** use staples, paper clips or glue.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- All questions are worth equal marks.

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Section 1: 1399–1485

- 1 How significant were the achievements of Henry IV?
- 2 How significant was domestic stability to Henry V's successes in France?
- 3 To what extent was Henry VI personally responsible for the civil strife of the period 1455 to 1461?
- 4 How significant was the role played by Warwick during Edward IV's first reign, 1461–1470?
- 5 'Richard III's reign was doomed to failure.' Was it?

Section 2: 1485–1547

- 6 How successful was Henry VII in fulfilling his aims in foreign policy?
- 7 How effective was Thomas Cromwell in bringing about reform to English government, 1529–1540?
- 8 How serious a problem was anti-clericalism for the late-medieval Church in England to 1529?
- 9 Why did the Henrician Reformation not meet with more effective opposition?
- 10 Why did Henry VIII enjoy only limited success in foreign policy?

Section 3: 1547–1603

- 11 'A period of continuous crisis.' Discuss this view of the reign of Edward VI.
- 12 How successful was Mary I's attempt to reintroduce Catholicism to England?
- 13 How serious a threat was puritan opposition to the Elizabethan Church?
- 14 Why was the reign of Mary Stuart so fraught with difficulty in the years 1561 to 1567?
- 15 How effective was Elizabeth I's council?

Section 4: 1603–c.1689

- 16 How significant was the issue of finance to the relationship between James I and his parliaments?
- 17 How effectively was England governed during the personal rule of Charles I?
- 18 How important were the contributions of the Scots and Irish to the British Civil Wars, 1642–1651?
- 19 How much did the Restoration of Charles II restore?
- 20 Why was James II's reign so short?

Section 5: c.1689–c.1760

- 21 Why were divisions between Tories and Whigs so deep in the years 1689 to 1714?
- 22 'The Jacobite rebellions of 1715 and 1745 never had any real chance of success.' Discuss.
- 23 How far do the divisions among his opponents explain Walpole's lengthy time in power?
- 24 What best explains British success in the Seven Years' War?
- 25 What best accounts for both support for, and opposition to, Methodism in the period to 1760?

Section 6: Themes

- 26 Why did patterns of internal trade change in England in **either** the fifteenth **or** sixteenth centuries?
- 27 How convincingly can it be argued that the fifteenth century was a period of opportunity for women?
- 28 To what extent was art and architecture in England in the sixteenth century influenced by the continental Renaissance?
- 29 Why did interest in scientific discovery flourish in the seventeenth century?
- 30 What best explains the extent of colonial expansion, c.1650–c.1760?

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