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# History

**Advanced Subsidiary**

**Unit 1**

**Option A: England in the Middle Ages and the Transition to the Early Modern World**

Wednesday 18 May 2016 – Afternoon

**Time: 1 hour 20 minutes**

Paper Reference

**6HI01/A**

**You do not need any other materials.**

Total Marks

## Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **TWO** questions: **ONE** question on each of the **TWO** topics for which you have been prepared. You may only answer **ONE** question on each topic.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*

## Information

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- The quality of your written communication will be assessed in **all** your responses  
– *you should take particular care with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression.*

## Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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**6HI01/A – England in the Middle Ages and the Transition to the Early Modern World**

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**You must start the answer to your first question on page 4.  
You must start the answer to your second question on page 12.**

**A1 – Alfred the Great and the Vikings, 793–c900**

**EITHER**

- 1** Why did the kingdoms of Anglo-Saxon England find it so difficult to develop an effective response to the Viking invasions in the years 793–865?

**(Total for Question 1 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 2** To what extent was Alfred's leadership responsible for the Viking military defeats in the years 878–c900?

**(Total for Question 2 = 30 marks)**

**A2 – The Norman Conquest and its Impact on England, 1066–1135**

**EITHER**

- 3** How far do you agree that Duke William's leadership was the most important reason for Norman successes in England in the period September–December 1066?

**(Total for Question 3 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 4** How far was the creation of a new landowning elite the most important consequence of the Norman Conquest?

**(Total for Question 4 = 30 marks)**

**A3 – The Angevin Empire, 1154–1216**

**EITHER**

- 5** How far do you agree that legal and financial reforms were the most important reason for the increasing power of the monarchy during the reign of Henry II?

**(Total for Question 5 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 6** How far do you agree that the reign of Richard I (1189–99) was disastrous for both England and the Angevin territories in France?

**(Total for Question 6 = 30 marks)**

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**A4 – From Black Death to Great Revolt: England, 1348–81****EITHER**

- 7 How far were the economic conditions existing in early 14th century England responsible for the dramatic impact of the Black Death in the years 1348–50?

**(Total for Question 7 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 8 How seriously did the effects of the Black Death threaten the power of the monarchy and landed class in the years 1350–81?

**(Total for Question 8 = 30 marks)**

**A5 – Anglo-French Rivalry: Henry V and Henry VI, 1413–53****EITHER**

- 9 To what extent were the personal weaknesses of Charles VI responsible for Henry V's decision to invade France in 1415?

**(Total for Question 9 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 10 How effective was Bedford's leadership of the English in France in the years 1422–35?

**(Total for Question 10 = 30 marks)**

**A6 – The Wars of the Roses in England, 1455–85****EITHER**

- 11 How far were divisions among the nobility responsible for the outbreak of civil conflict in England in 1455?

**(Total for Question 11 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 12 How accurate is it to say that the Yorkist kings restored royal power in the years 1471–85?

**(Total for Question 12 = 30 marks)**

**A7 – The Reign of Henry VII, 1485–1509****EITHER**

- 13 To what extent had Henry VII consolidated his position within England by 1499?

**(Total for Question 13 = 30 marks)**

**OR**

- 14 How far did Henry VII improve the state of royal finances during his reign?

**(Total for Question 14 = 30 marks)**





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