



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Subsidiary Examination
January 2010

History

HIS1H

Unit 1H Tsarist Russia, 1855–1917

Thursday 14 January 2010 1.30 pm to 2.45 pm

For this paper you must have:

- a 12-page answer book.

Time allowed

- 1 hour 15 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Examining Body** for this paper is AQA. The **Paper Reference** is HIS1H.
- Answer **two** questions.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 72.
- There are 36 marks for each question.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.
- In answering the questions you must use your own knowledge and understanding of the period. In particular you should:
 - refer to relevant historical information
 - show an understanding of change and continuity
 - show a knowledge of historical interpretations.

Answer **two** questions.

- 1** (a) Why did Witte promote industrialisation in Russia? *(12 marks)*
- (b) How far was Russia a modern industrialised state by 1914? *(24 marks)*
- 2** (a) Explain why liberals were dissatisfied with Tsarist autocracy in 1881. *(12 marks)*
- (b) How important was political opposition to Nicholas II between 1914 and the February/March 1917 Revolution in bringing about the fall of the Tsarist regime? *(24 marks)*
- 3** (a) Why did Tsar Nicholas II summon a Duma to meet in 1906? *(12 marks)*
- (b) How successful was Stolypin in strengthening the Tsarist regime? *(24 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS