

AS HISTORY

The British Empire, c1857–1967

Component 1J The High Water Mark of the British Empire, c1857–1914

Wednesday 13 May 2020 Afternoon Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 16-page answer book.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is 7041/1J.
- Answer **two** questions.
In **Section A** answer Question 01.
In **Section B** answer **either** Question 02 **or** Question 03.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 50.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Advice

- You are advised to spend about:
 - 50 minutes on Section A
 - 40 minutes on Section B.

Section A

Answer Question 01.

Extract A

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Extract B

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With reference to these extracts and your understanding of the historical context, which of these two extracts provides the more convincing interpretation of Benjamin Disraeli's attitude towards the British Empire in the years 1868 to 1880?

[25 marks]

Section B

Answer **either** Question 02 **or** Question 03.

Either

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 'Britain's imperial expansion in Africa, in the years 1890 to 1902, was for economic reasons.'

Explain why you agree or disagree with this view.

[25 marks]

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 'Britain strengthened its rule over India in the years 1899 to 1914.'

Explain why you agree or disagree with this view.

[25 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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