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# History

Assessment Unit A2 1  
Change Over Time



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**FRIDAY 23 MAY, MORNING**

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## TIME

1 hour 15 minutes.

## INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.

Choose **one** option.

Answer **either** Question **1** **or** Question **2** from your **chosen option**.

Indicate clearly on your Answer Booklet which option you have chosen.

## INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 40.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in Question **1** and Question **2**.

Answer **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in Question 1 and Question 2.

**Option 1: CROWN AND PARLIAMENT IN ENGLAND 1625–1714**

**Either**

- 1** “No monarch in the period 1625–1714 transformed the relationship between Crown and Parliament more than William III.” How far would you agree with this verdict? [40]

**Or**

- 2** “The Constitutional Revolution of 1640–1642 changed the power and position of Parliament more than any other event in the period 1625–1714.” To what extent would you accept this judgement? [40]

Answer **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in Question 1 and Question 2.

**Option 2: IRELAND UNDER THE UNION 1800–1900**

**Either**

- 1** “Political movements in Ireland succeeded only when led by inspirational figures.” How far would you accept this statement regarding political developments in Ireland between 1800 and 1900? [40]

**Or**

- 2** “Constitutional nationalism dominated the political landscape in nineteenth-century Ireland in a way that revolutionary nationalism and unionism never did.” To what extent would you agree with this assessment? [40]

Answer **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in Question 1 and Question 2.

**Option 3: THE CAUSES AND CONSEQUENCES OF GREAT POWER CONFLICT  
1848–1945**

**Either**

- 1** “The formation of alliances was more likely to risk conflict than avoid it.” How far would you agree with this judgement on alliances as a cause of the wars which broke out in Europe in the period 1848–1945? [40]

**Or**

- 2** “German ambitions were at the heart of most of the wars fought in Europe between 1848 and 1945.” To what extent would you accept this statement? [40]

Answer **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in Question 1 and Question 2.

**Option 4: THE AMERICAN PRESIDENCY 1901–2000**

**Either**

- 1** “Most American presidents in the twentieth century experienced success in either domestic policy or foreign policy, but never in both.” How far would you accept this verdict? [40]

**Or**

- 2** To what extent would you agree that the presidency of Franklin Roosevelt witnessed the greatest increase in presidential power in the twentieth century? [40]

Answer **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in Question 1 and Question 2.

**Option 5: CLASH OF IDEOLOGIES IN EUROPE 1900–2000**

**Either**

- 1** “Mikhail Gorbachev was the most influential leader in shaping relations between the Soviet Union and Western governments in Europe in the period 1917–1991.” To what extent would you agree with this verdict? [40]

**Or**

- 2** “Between 1917 and 1991 the Soviet Union achieved greater foreign policy successes in Europe than Western governments.” How far would you accept this judgement? [40]

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**THIS IS THE END OF THE QUESTION PAPER**

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