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History

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Paper 1: Depth Study with Interpretations

Option 1B: Russia in Revolution, 1881–1917

Wednesday 18 May 2016 – Afternoon

Time: 2 hours

Paper Reference

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Instructions

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- Answer **TWO** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
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Information

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
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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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EITHER

- 1** Historians differ in their judgements about the reigns of Alexander III and Nicholas II in the years 1881–1903.

‘The reigns of Alexander III and Nicholas II were repressive in the years 1881–1903.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

(Total for Question 1 = 25 marks)

OR

- 2** Historians differ in their judgements about the consequences of the 1905 Revolution.

‘The most important consequence of the 1905 Revolution was the creation of the Duma.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

(Total for Question 2 = 25 marks)

OR

- 3** Historians have different explanations for why Romanov rule ended in 1917.

‘The role of the Empress Alexandra was the main reason why Romanov rule ended in 1917.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

(Total for Question 3 = 25 marks)

OR

- 4** Historians have different explanations for why the Provisional Government was overthrown in October 1917.

‘The decision to continue Russia’s involvement in the First World War was the main reason why the Provisional Government was overthrown in October 1917.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

(Total for Question 4 = 25 marks)

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