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**Pearson Edexcel International Advanced Level**

**Tuesday 9 May 2023**

Afternoon (Time: 2 hours)

Paper reference **WHI01/1B**

**History**

**International Advanced Subsidiary**

**PAPER 1: Depth Study with Interpretations**

**Option 1B: Russia in Revolution, 1881–1917**

You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

### Instructions

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- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **TWO** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*

### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

### 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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**Answer TWO questions from the following.**

**You must start your answer to your first question on page 3.**

**You must start your answer to your second question on page 13.**

**EITHER**

- 1** Historians differ in their judgements about autocratic rule in Russia in the years 1881–1903.

‘In the years 1881–1903, it was the influence of Pobedonostsev that maintained autocratic Tsarist rule in Russia.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

**(Total for Question 1 = 25 marks)**

**OR**

- 2** Historians have different explanations for the 1905 Revolution in Russia.

‘The impact of the Russo-Japanese war was the main reason for the 1905 Revolution.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

**(Total for Question 2 = 25 marks)**

**OR**

- 3** Historians have different explanations for the end of Romanov rule in 1917.

‘The role of Rasputin was the main reason why Romanov rule ended.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

**(Total for Question 3 = 25 marks)**

**OR**

- 4** Historians differ in their judgements about Bolshevik rule after their seizure of power in October 1917.

‘The most significant feature of Bolshevik rule in 1917, was the signing of the Armistice.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

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