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AS Level History A

Y133/01 England 1199–1272

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Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes



You must have:

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet
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INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Answer **all** the Questions in Section A and **one** Question in Section B.
- Write your answers in the Answer Booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.
- Do **not** write in the barcodes.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **50**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended responses will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- This document consists of **4** pages.

SECTION A

King John 1199–1216

Study the three sources and then answer **both** questions.

- 1 Use your knowledge of John's relationship with the English Church to assess how useful source B is as evidence for his attitude in 1208. [10]

- 2 Using these three sources in their historical context, assess how far they support the view that John refused to negotiate with Innocent over the appointment of Langton as archbishop of Canterbury. [20]

Source A: The Pope writes to King John.

When we wrote to you on the matter of the church of Canterbury, humbly and carefully, and with gentle exhortations and requests, you...wrote in reply with threats and reproaches. Whereas we defer to you more than we ought, you show us less consideration than you ought. If your devotion is necessary to us, still our regard is no less advantageous to you...You are trying to lessen our dignity ...and set forth some frivolous excuse by which you assert you cannot give your consent to the election of our beloved son, Stephen.

Innocent III, Letter, 1207

Source B: A monk describes events in 1208.

The king himself was the only power in the land and feared neither God or man. The pope was angry about the harassment of the church at Canterbury and sent letters to the king ordering him to receive the archbishop and the monks of Canterbury and restore their confiscated goods. The king sent to Rome and promised that he would make amends for everything...When the pope heard that the king had repented, he was overjoyed... When the messengers returned to England, the archbishop sent with them two bishops and two monks to receive the possessions of the church of Canterbury. The king was angry when he heard what the messengers had brought from Rome and swore he had not sent them for that purpose. Therefore, the king withdrew from the negotiations.

Gervase of Canterbury, Chronicle, written before 1210

Source C: Roger of Wendover, a monk at St Alban's, describes the imposition of the Interdict.

Pope Innocent...ordered them [three bishops] to lay an interdict on the whole kingdom of England and to tell the king that if this did not check his boldness, he, the pope, would lay his hands on him more heavily still, since it was necessary for him to conquer and for the safety of the holy Church he had made war on the devil and his angels.

Roger of Wendover, History of England, written before 1236

SECTION B**England 1216–1272**

Answer **ONE** question.

- 3*** Assess the reasons why the period between 1216 and 1232 saw so much unrest. **[20]**
- 4*** Assess the reasons why Henry III's recovery of power in 1261 was so short-lived. **[20]**

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