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AS Level History A

Y136/01 England 1485–1558: the Early Tudors

Wednesday 16 May 2018 – Afternoon

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

Mid Tudor Crises 1547–1558

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

- 1 Use your knowledge of Wyatt's rebellion to assess how useful Source B is as evidence for the causes of the rebellion. [10]
- 2 Using these three sources in their historical context, assess how far they support the view that Mary Tudor's marriage to Philip of Spain was a threat to stability. [20]

Source A: The French king outlines his plans concerning the marriage of Mary Tudor and Philip of Spain.

If you see that the Queen is resolved to marry the Prince of Spain and also that Courtenay has the will and means to upset the apple-cart, you may say confidently that I would not deny my favour either to him or to the other gentlemen who know the evil which the marriage could bring to the realm and would like to oppose it.

Our chief aim must be to see that Courtenay and his supporters, if they see things going badly, do not let themselves be discovered and arrested. They have to deal only with a woman who is badly provided with good advice and men of ability.

Henry II of France to Noailles, his ambassador in England, 23 November 1553

Source B: The Imperial Ambassador reports to the Emperor Charles V on the situation in England at the start of Wyatt's rebellion.

Wyatt's men have rebelled in Kent, proclaiming that they will not consent to a foreign marriage and that every good Englishman ought to help them fight the Spaniards. Although the rebels use the foreign marriage as an excuse, like Carew, their real causes are religion and to favour Elizabeth. It is said that the rebellion is spreading. We hear news that the French and Scots are hastily fitting out ships and raising troops to aid the rebels. We hear the King of Denmark is joining in, hoping to marry Elizabeth to his son or brother.

Simon Renard, dispatch, 27 January 1554

Source C: A contemporary records Mary's reaction to Wyatt's march on London.

On 1 February the Queen went to the Guildhall and declared to the audience the wicked plan of the traitor Wyatt, which was utterly to deprive her of her crown, and to ransack the city. She spoke so nobly, with so good spirit, and with so loud a voice, that all the people might hear her Majesty, and were comforted in their hearts with so sweet words which made them weep with joy to hear her Majesty speak. On 3 February the Queen appointed Lord William Howard to be Captain General, with the Lord Mayor, for the defence of the City.

A Chronicle of England During the Reigns of the Tudors, From 1485 to 1559

SECTION B

England 1485–1547

Answer **ONE** question.

3* 'The most important aim of Henry VII's foreign policy was dynastic security.' How far do you agree? **[20]**

4* How effectively did Henry VIII rule England in the 1540s? **[20]**

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