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AS Level History A

Y243/01 The French Revolution and the rule of Napoleon 1774–1815

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

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You must have:
- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet

INSTRUCTIONS
- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Answer **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2 in Section A. Answer Question 3 in Section B.

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

ADVICE
- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

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Section A

Answer Question 1 **or** Question 2.

1* Assess the reasons for Robespierre's rise to power. **[30]**

2* Assess the reasons for the success of the coup of Brumaire in 1799. **[30]**

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Section B

3 Read the interpretation and answer the question that follows.

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Evaluate the strengths and limitations of this interpretation, making reference to other interpretations you have studied. **[20]**

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