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AS Level History A

Y233/01 The Crusades and the Crusader States
1095–1192

Tuesday 23 May 2017 – Afternoon

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes



You must have:

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet (OCR12 sent with general stationery)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Answer either Question 1 or Question 2 in Section A, and Question 3 in Section B.
- Write your answer to each question on the Answer Booklet.
- 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

Answer **ONE** question

EITHER

- 1* 'The main reason for the failure of the Second Crusade was poor leadership.' How far do you agree? **[30]**

OR

- 2* How important were the abilities of the Arab leaders in accounting for their successes in 1187? **[30]**

SECTION B

- 3 Read the interpretation and then answer the question that follows:

'While the Third Crusade failed to achieve its ultimate aim of retaking Jerusalem, it did succeed in providing the Christians with a reasonable hold of much of the coastline and provided a springboard for future Crusades.'

From: Jonathan Phillips, *The Crusades 1095–1204*, published in 2014.

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

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