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A Level History A

Y212/01 The American Revolution 1740–1796

Time allowed: 1 hour



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.
- Choose **one** question and answer **all** the parts of that question.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **30**.
- 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 **2** pages.

ADVICE

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

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Answer **EITHER** all of Question 1 **OR** all of Question 2.

- 1 (a) Which of the following caused the most difficulties for the early Republic in the period from 1783 to 1796?

(i) Relations with Spain

(ii) Relations with Britain

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]

- (b)* 'The most important reason for the defeat of the British in the American War of Independence was the quality of the British military leadership.' How far do you agree? [20]

OR

- 2 (a) Which of the following was more significant in the failure of the British to win the war in the period from 1775 to 1777?

(i) General Howe

(ii) General Burgoyne

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]

- (b)* How important were developments in political thought in bringing about the American Revolution? [20]

END OF QUESTION PAPER

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