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# GCSE HISTORY

Paper 2B/C: Elizabethan England, c1568–1603

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## Interpretations Booklet

**Interpretation A** for use in answering Question 01

**Interpretation A** An interpretation that questions the motives for Drake's round the world voyage.

Adapted from an article by David Cressy, in 'History Today', 1981.

Was the real and secret purpose of Drake's voyage to raid the wealth of Spain as an authorised privateer, or was he sent to discover new lands and set up British colonies in the New World? Was it simply a trading voyage with the aim of finding a new and profitable route to the spices of the East and done in secret to protect any commercial gains? Probably there was a mixture of motives, with much left to chance.

## END OF INTERPRETATIONS

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