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History
International Advanced Subsidiary
Paper 1: Depth Study with Interpretations
Option 1A: France in revolution, 1774–99

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You do not need any other materials.

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Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **TWO** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Answer TWO questions from the following.
You must start your answer to your chosen question on the next page.

EITHER

- 1** Historians differ in their judgements about the problems that caused unrest in France in the years 1774–89.

‘The most significant cause of discontent in France in the years before 1789 was the taxation system.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

(Total for Question 1 = 25 marks)

OR

- 2** Historians have different suggestions for the event in 1789 that marked the beginning of the French Revolution.

‘It was the Tennis Court Oath (20 June) rather than the storming of the Bastille (14 July) that marked the true onset of the French Revolution.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

(Total for Question 2 = 25 marks)

OR

- 3** Historians have different explanations for the failure of constitutional monarchy (1789–93).

‘Louis XVI was mainly responsible for the failure of constitutional monarchy.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

(Total for Question 3 = 25 marks)

OR

- 4** Historians differ in their judgements of government by the Directory in the years 1795–99.

‘The Directory was both unsuccessful and unpopular.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

(Total for Question 4 = 25 marks)

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