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# AS Level History A

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

**Tuesday 23 May 2017 – Afternoon**

**Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes**



**You must have:**

- the 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\*** Assess the reasons why the monarchy was overthrown in France in 1793. **[30]**

**OR**

**2\*** 'The achievement of financial stability was the most important reason Napoleon was able to maintain power in the years from 1799 to 1807.' How far do you agree? **[30]**

**SECTION B**

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

'Napoleon introduced features [into government] which would have been more commonly associated with the ancien regime.'

Stephen Lee, *Aspects of European History 1789–1980* (1982)

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

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**

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