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# AS Level History A

## Unit Y250

### Italy 1896–1943

Sample Question Paper

Version 0.15

## Date – Morning/Afternoon

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes



**OCR supplied materials:**

- 12 page Answer Booklet

**Other materials required:**

- None



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### INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Complete the boxes above with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- 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 bar codes.

### 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 consequences for Italy to 1920 of its participation in the First World War.

**[30]**

**OR**

**2\*** 'Mussolini's economic and social policies were a failure in the years from 1922 to 1940.' How far do you agree?

**[30]**

**Section B**

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

'[Mussolini's] pursuit of personal power took priority over the desire to 'Fascisticise' Italy and the Italian institutions.'

From: M. Robson, Italy: Liberalism and Fascism 1870–1945

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

**[20]**

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