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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.

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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