



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Subsidiary Examination
June 2015

History

HIS1H

Unit 1H Tsarist Russia, 1855–1917

Wednesday 13 May 2015 1.30 pm to 2.45 pm

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-page answer book.

Time allowed

- 1 hour 15 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is HIS1H.
- Answer **two** questions.
Answer **both** parts of each question chosen.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 72.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.
- In answering the questions you must use your own knowledge and understanding of the period. In particular you should:
 - refer to relevant historical information
 - show an understanding of change and continuity
 - show a knowledge of historical interpretations.

Answer **two** questions.

Each question has **two** parts. Answer **both** parts of each question chosen.

Question 1

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 Explain why Alexander II carried out military reforms in the 1870s. **[12 marks]**

and

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 How far did Alexander II's domestic reforms improve conditions for the Russian peasants? **[24 marks]**

Question 2

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 Explain why Russia's major cities grew rapidly from the 1890s. **[12 marks]**

and

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 How far was the growth of political opposition in the years 1881 to 1904 due to the social changes taking place within Russia? **[24 marks]**

Question 3

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 Explain why, in 1905, the Tsar agreed to summon a State Duma. **[12 marks]**

and

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 How important was discontent among the working people of Petrograd in bringing about the revolution of February/March 1917? **[24 marks]**

END OF QUESTIONS