



General Certificate of Education
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History

HIS3C

Unit 3C The Emergence of a Great Power? Spain, 1492–1556

Monday 2 June 2014 9.00 am to 10.30 am

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-page answer book

Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 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 HIS3C.
- Answer **two** questions.
- In answering the questions you must use your own knowledge and understanding of the period.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 90.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Advice

- You are advised to spend about 45 minutes on each question.

Answer **two** questions.

- 0 1** 'Ferdinand and Isabella were very effective in dealing with internal challenges to the authority of the crown.'
Assess the validity of this view with reference to the years 1492 to 1516. **[45 marks]**
- 0 2** 'The most important changes in the Spanish economy in the years 1492 to 1529 were caused by the discovery of America.'
Assess the validity of this view. **[45 marks]**
- 0 3** 'The government of Spain in the years 1529 to 1556 worked well despite the fact that Charles I was an "absentee" monarch.'
Assess the validity of this view. **[45 marks]**

END OF QUESTIONS