Edexcel GCE

History
Advanced Subsidiary
Unit 1
Option C: The British Empire: Colonisation and Decolonisation

Tuesday 14 May 2013 – Morning
Time: 1 hour 20 minutes

You do not need any other materials.

Instructions
• Use black ink or ball-point pen.
• Fill in the boxes at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
• Answer TWO questions: ONE question on each of the TWO topics for which you have been prepared. You may only answer ONE question on each topic.
• Answer the questions in the spaces provided –there may be more space than you need.

Information
• The total mark for this paper is 60.
• The marks for each question are shown in brackets –use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.
• The quality of your written communication will be assessed in all your responses –you should take particular care with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression.

Advice
• Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
• Keep an eye on the time.
• Check your answers if you have time at the end.

Turn over
6HI01/C – The British Empire: Colonisation and Decolonisation

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You must start the answer to your first question on page 4.
You must start the answer to your second question on page 12.

C1 – The Origins of the British Empire, c1680–1763

EITHER

1. How significant was the role of war in the territorial expansion of the British Empire in the years c1680–1763?  
   (Total for Question 1 = 30 marks)

OR

2. To what extent did the role of trading companies in imperial expansion change in the years c1680–1763?  
   (Total for Question 2 = 30 marks)

C2 – Relations with the American Colonies and the War of Independence, c1740–89

EITHER

3. How far do you agree that the relationship between Britain and the American colonies remained strong in the years 1740–63?  
   (Total for Question 3 = 30 marks)

OR

4. Why did it take so long for the American colonists to defeat the British in the War of Independence (1775–83)?  
   (Total for Question 4 = 30 marks)

C3 – The Slave Trade, Slavery and the Anti-Slavery Campaigns, c1760–1833

EITHER

5. To what extent did the operation of both the slave trade and the plantation system change in the years c1760–1833?  
   (Total for Question 5 = 30 marks)

OR

6. How far do you agree that William Wilberforce was mainly responsible for the abolition of the slave trade in 1807?  
   (Total for Question 6 = 30 marks)
C4 – Commerce and Conquest: India, c1760–c1835

EITHER

7 To what extent had the traditional Indian rulers been brought under British control by 1813?  
(Total for Question 7 = 30 marks)

OR

8 How far do you agree that the consolidation and expansion of British influence over India in the years 1763–1835 was motivated mainly by commercial considerations?  
(Total for Question 8 = 30 marks)

C5 – Commerce and Imperial Expansion, c1815–70

EITHER

9 How significant was the British victory in the Napoleonic Wars for the development of Empire after 1815?  
(Total for Question 9 = 30 marks)

OR

10 Why was Britain able to increase its imperial influence with such ease in the years c1815–70?  
(Total for Question 10 = 30 marks)

C6 – Britain and the Scramble for Africa, c1875–1914

EITHER

11 How accurate is it to say that British expansion in Africa in the years c1875–1914 was achieved more through treaties and agreements than by military conflict?  
(Total for Question 11 = 30 marks)

OR

12 To what extent did British involvement in the Second Boer War change attitudes within Britain towards Empire?  
(Total for Question 12 = 30 marks)

C7 – Retreat from Empire: Decolonisation in Africa, c1957–81

EITHER

13 How far do you agree that the growth of African nationalism in the 1950s and 1960s was encouraged mainly by Britain’s declining prestige?  
(Total for Question 13 = 30 marks)

OR

14 To what extent was increased unrest in the African colonies responsible for the speeding up of the decolonisation process in the years 1957–65?  
(Total for Question 14 = 30 marks)
Put a cross in the box indicating the FIRST question you have chosen to answer ✗. If you change your mind, put a line through the box ❌ and then put a cross in another box ✗.

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Your second question choice must be on a different topic to your first question choice.
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