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.
6HI01/A – England in the Middle Ages and the Transition to the Early Modern World

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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.

A1 – Alfred the Great and the Vikings, 793–c900

EITHER

1 How far were the weaknesses of other English kingdoms responsible for the emergence of Wessex as the leading Anglo-Saxon power by 875?  
(Total for Question 1 = 30 marks)

OR

2 How far did Alfred reform and strengthen Wessex in the years 878–99?  
(Total for Question 2 = 30 marks)


EITHER

3 How far do you agree that Duke William of Normandy’s military skills were the main reason for his success in securing the English throne in 1066?  
(Total for Question 3 = 30 marks)

OR

4 How far do you agree that the building of castles was the main reason why the English were unable to mount a successful challenge to William I’s rule?  
(Total for Question 4 = 30 marks)

A3 – The Angevin Empire, 1154–1216

EITHER

5 Why was the crisis in Church-State relations so bitter in the years 1162–72?  
(Total for Question 5 = 30 marks)

OR

6 How far were Richard I and King John responsible for the collapse of English power in France?  
(Total for Question 6 = 30 marks)
### A4 – From Black Death to Great Revolt: England, 1348–81

**EITHER**

7. How accurate is it to say that the Black Death led to dramatic changes in the structure of fourteenth-century English society? \(_{30\text{ marks}}\)

**OR**

8. How far do you agree that excessive demands from the rebels were the main reason for the failure of the peasants to achieve their aims in 1381? \(_{30\text{ marks}}\)

### A5 – Anglo-French Rivalry: Henry V and Henry VI, 1413–53

**EITHER**

9. How far do you agree that effective leadership was the main reason for the success of the English in France in the years 1415–35? \(_{30\text{ marks}}\)

**OR**

10. How significant was the influence of Joan of Arc in the revival of French fortunes in the years 1422–35? \(_{30\text{ marks}}\)

### A6 – The Wars of the Roses in England, 1455–85

**EITHER**

11. How far were Lancastrian political and military mistakes responsible for the victory of the Yorkists? \(_{30\text{ marks}}\)

**OR**

12. How far was the unpopularity of Richard III responsible for the success of Henry Tudor’s challenge in 1485? \(_{30\text{ marks}}\)

### A7 – The Reign of Henry VII, 1485–1509

**EITHER**

13. To what extent was Henry VII successful in enforcing respect for the law among both nobles and commoners? \(_{30\text{ marks}}\)

**OR**

14. How far do you agree that Henry VII’s foreign policy enhanced his power in England? \(_{30\text{ marks}}\)
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.

Chosen Question Number:

Question 1  ☐  Question 2  ☐  Question 3  ☐  Question 4  ☐  Question 5  ☐  Question 6  ☐  Question 7  ☐  Question 8  ☐  Question 9  ☐  Question 10  ☐  Question 11  ☐  Question 12  ☐  Question 13  ☐  Question 14  ☐

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