

General Certificate of Education Advanced Subsidiary Examination June 2012

History

HIS1H

Unit 1H Tsarist Russia, 1855–1917

Tuesday 15 May 2012 9.00 am to 10.15 am

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 **Examining Body** for this paper is AQA. 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.

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

Question 1



Explain why Alexander II introduced further reforms following the Emancipation Edict of 1861. (12 marks)

and



How successful were Alexander II's reforms in strengthening the Tsarist regime in the years 1855 to 1881? (24 marks)

Question 2



Explain why Nicholas II issued the Fundamental Laws in 1906. (12 marks)

and



How successful was the Tsarist regime in bringing political stability to Russia in the years 1906 to 1914? (24 marks)

Question 3

05Explain why the Provisional Government kept Russia in the First World War after
February/March 1917.(12 marks)

and



How important was the role of Lenin in bringing about the overthrow of the Provisional Government in October/November 1917? (24 marks)

END OF QUESTIONS

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