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Advanced Subsidiary Examination
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History

HIS2R

Unit 2R A Sixties Social Revolution? British Society, 1959–1975

Tuesday 22 January 2013 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 **Examining Body** for this paper is AQA. The **Paper Reference** is HIS2R.
- Answer **two** questions.
Answer Question 1 and **either** Question 2 **or** Question 3.
Answer **both** parts of each question chosen.
- 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 72.
- 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 Question 1 and **either** Question 2 **or** Question 3.

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

Question 1

Study the following source material and then answer the questions which follow.

Source A Adapted from a memorandum written by Harold Macmillan, 15 October 1963

- Lord Home is clearly a man who represents the old governing class at its best and those who take a reasonably impartial view of English History know how good that can be. He is not ambitious in the sense of wanting to scheme for power, although not foolish enough to resist honour when it comes to him. It is interesting that he has
- 5 proved himself so much liked by men like President Kennedy. These are exactly the qualities that the class to which he belongs have at their best, because they think about the question under discussion and not about themselves.

Source B Lord Home seemed utterly against the spirit of the new decade. He was the ultimate traditional Tory, but without Macmillan's toughness. Hailsham, Macleod and Powell refused to serve under him and he was described by press-commentators at the time as 'this half-witted Earl'. In a famous article in *The Spectator*, Iain Macleod,

5 the editor, attacked the choice of Home as Conservative leader, as coming from the Conservative party's 'magic circle' in which eight out of nine men went to Eton. Alec Douglas-Home never overcame the handicap of being a symbol of the old ways. As Prime Minister in the early sixties he was out of time. Harold Wilson put it well: 'We are living in the jet age but we are governed by an Edwardian establishment

10 mentality.'

Adapted from A MARR, *A History of Modern Britain*, 2007

Source C Adapted from a speech by Harold Wilson, delivered to delegates at the Labour Party Conference in Scarborough, July 1963

- For the commanding heights of British industry to be controlled by men whose only claim is their aristocratic connection or the power of inherited wealth is irrelevant to the twentieth century. At the very time that even the MCC* has abolished the distinction between amateurs and professionals, in science and industry we are
- 5 content to remain a nation of amateurs in a world of professionals. Because we care deeply about the future of Britain, we must use all the resources of democratic planning, all the energies and skills of our people, to ensure Britain's standing in the world.

*MCC: at the time, the governing body of World Cricket.

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Use **Sources A** and **B** and your own knowledge.

Explain how far the views in **Source B** differ from those in **Source A** in relation to Lord Home. *(12 marks)*

and

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Use **Sources A, B** and **C** and your own knowledge.

How far was the defeat of the Conservative Party in the 1964 General Election due to Lord Home? *(24 marks)*

EITHER

Question 2

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Explain why there was a growth in consumer spending in Britain in the 1960s. *(12 marks)*

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‘Affluence was the chief cause of social change in Britain in the 1960s.’
Explain why you agree or disagree with this view. *(24 marks)*

OR

Question 3

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Explain why the Race Relations Board was set up in 1966. *(12 marks)*

and

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‘There was widespread racial discrimination in Britain in 1975.’
Explain why you agree or disagree with this view. *(24 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS

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