

# Advance information June 2022

## A-level History (7042)

### Version 1.0

Because of the ongoing impacts of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, we are providing advance information on the focus of June 2022 exams to help students revise.

This is the advance information for **A-level History (7042), 2G The Birth of the USA, 1760–1801**.

## Information

- This notice covers advanced information for **7042/2G The Birth of the USA, 1760–1801**.
- There are no restrictions on who can use this notice.
- This notice is meant to support final revision.
- The format/structure of the papers remains unchanged.
- You are **not** permitted to take this notice into the exam.

## Advice

- Students and teachers can discuss this advance information notice.
- Questions will be drawn from one or more of the indicated areas of specification content.
- The information is presented in specification order and not in question order.
- Students **will** be credited for using any relevant knowledge when answering questions.
- Students **will not** be disadvantaged if solely using the areas indicated in this document. There is no expectation of knowledge beyond that identified in order to achieve full marks.
- It is advised that teaching and learning should still aim to address the entire subject content in the specification.

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## Focus of the June 2022 exam

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This paper will sample from the following areas of the specification content for **7042/2G**.

### **Part one: the origins of the American Revolution, 1760–1776**

#### **Section one: Britain and the American Colonies, 1760–1763**

- Britain and North America in 1760: British attitudes towards the colonies; the politics of Empire; rivalries with France
- The price of victory: the impact on relations between Britain and the colonists of the successful outcome of the French and Indian War and the Seven Years War

#### **Section two: Enforcing the Colonial Relationship, 1763–1774**

- British government legislation and policies towards the colonies; including the Proclamation of 1763; the Stamp Act and the Townshend Acts
- The reaction of the colonists: the attitude of the colonial elites
- The reaction of the colonists: pressure and reform movements from below
- Escalating tensions: the Boston Tea Party; the ‘intolerable’ Five Acts; the organisation of colonial opposition in Massachusetts

#### **Section three: Ending the Colonial Relationship, 1774–1776**

- N/A

### **Part two: establishing the Nation, 1776–1801**

#### **Section four: The War of Independence, 1776–1783**

- Recognition of the new nation: the conduct of the peace negotiations, the terms of the peace settlement 1783

#### **Section five: Founding the Republic, 1776–1789**

- The Articles of Confederation: drafting from 1776; ratification by the thirteen states
- Obstacles blocking the path to a republic: economic problems, social tensions and inter-state disputes, the issue of slavery
- Making the Constitution: the Philadelphia Convention and the constitutional debates between federalists and anti-federalists, the personalities and policies of the ‘Founding Fathers’

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#### **Section six: Washington and Adams, 1789–1801**

- Financing the new nation: Alexander Hamilton as Secretary of Finance, the balance between federal and state authority
- The rise and influence of political parties: the Jefferson Republican (Democratic Republican Party) under Jefferson and James Madison, the Federalist Party under Alexander Hamilton and John Adams

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