

A-level **HISTORY**

Revolution and Dictatorship: Russia and the Soviet Union, 1917–1953

Paper 2N

ADDITIONAL SPECIMEN QUESTION PAPER

2 hours 30 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

An AQA 12-page answer book.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The Paper Reference is 2N.
- Answer **three** questions.
 - In **Section A** answer Question 01.
 - In Section B answer two questions.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- 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:
 - 60 minutes on Question 01
 - 45 minutes on each of the two questions in Section B.

Section A

Answer Question 01

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With reference to these sources and your understanding of the historical context, assess the value of these three sources to an historian studying the First Five-Year Plan.

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[30 marks]

Section B

Answer two questions

Why was there no outright successor to Lenin as leader of the USSR on Lenin's death in 1924?

[25 marks]

'There was a revolution in culture in the USSR between 1929 and 1941.'

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]

What was the importance of terror in keeping Stalin in power between 1945 and his death in 1953?

[25 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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