

A-level **HISTORY**

Revolution and Dictatorship: Russia, 1917–1953

Paper 2N

Specimen 2014

Morning Time allowed: 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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0 1 With reference to these sources and your understanding of the historical context, assess the value of these three sources to an historian studying the Bolshevik Revolution between 1917 and 1921.

[30 marks]

Section B

Answer two questions.

0 2 How successful was the Communist regime in modernising Russian agriculture in the years 1928 to 1941?

[25 marks]

o 3 'Stalin's victory in the power struggle between 1922 and 1929 was due to the popularity of his policies.'

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]

0 4 'By 1953 the USSR had become a world power.'

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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