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Paper 2 Section A/B:

Britain: Power and the people: c1170 to the present day

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Adapted from the front cover of a book called the ‘Royal Portrait of his Sacred Majesty’. It contained the religious writings of King Charles I and prayers forgiving Charles’s executioners. It also explained the King’s power and his political and military actions.

It was first published by Royalists ten days after the King was executed in 1649 and became a bestseller.

The image, on the opposite page, shows King Charles I. He is kneeling at an altar and looking up out of a window. There is a beam of light coming out of his eyes. The beam of light says, ‘I look to heaven’. The beam of light is pointing towards a crown in the sky. The words, ‘Blessed and Eternal’, are written above the crown. King Charles I is holding a crown of thorns. The word, ‘Martyr’, is written on the crown. On the altar, there is a book that says, ‘God’s word is my hope’. Next to the book is a piece of paper that says, ‘Words of Jesus’. At King Charles’ feet is a crown.

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