

AS HISTORY

The English Revolution, 1625–1660

Component 2E The origins of the English Civil War, 1625–1642

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 16-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 7041/2E.
- Answer **two** questions.
In **Section A** answer Question 01.
In **Section B** answer **either** Question 02 **or** Question 03.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 50.
- 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:
 - 50 minutes on Section A
 - 40 minutes on Section B.

Section AAnswer Question 01.

Source A

From a report sent to a courtier in London from a royalist informant in the country, October 1637.

All things here are, at this point, calm, so there is very little matter new to write about, for all business with Ship Money goes on undisturbed and all men, for the most part, submit. And although demands for payments here are great (considering the people have not heretofore been accustomed to them) yet they only speak privately of discontent but still lay down their purses and pay. I think that great tax of the Ship Money is so well accepted I suppose it will become permanent. Time can change minds to accept public necessities. Thus, if men considered the great sums needed for service of the state, these Ship Money payments would appear a little burden. 5

Source B

From a letter to his wife from Thomas Knyvett, a member of the Norfolk gentry, in London, November 1637.

The business now talked of in town is all about Ship Money. The King is willing to allow those who refuse to pay, whereof John Hampden is one, to have their lawyers to argue their case in point of law in the Court of Exchequer before all the judges. Oliver St John hath already argued against Ship Money very boldly and bravely. Yesterday was the first presentation of the King's side. I cannot relate any particulars because I heard it not. Although I was up at dawn I was so far from getting into the Court that I could not get near the door by two or three yards, the crowd was so great. 5

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With reference to these sources and your understanding of the historical context, which of these two sources is more valuable in explaining the impact of Ship Money during Charles I's Personal Rule?

[25 marks]

Section B

Answer **either** Question 02 **or** Question 03.

Either

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 'The main cause of the fear of Catholicism, in the years 1625 to 1629, was Charles I's court.'

Explain why you agree or disagree with this view.

[25 marks]

or

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 'In the years 1640 to 1642, popular radicalism was a serious threat to the authority of Charles I.'

Explain why you agree or disagree with this view.

[25 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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