



A-level

HISTORY

Component 1E

**Russia in the Age of Absolutism and Enlightenment,
1682–1796**

7042/1E

Wednesday 24 May 2023 Morning

Time allowed: 2 hours 30 minutes

MATERIALS

For this paper you must have:

- **an AQA 16-page answer book.**

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INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The PAPER REFERENCE is 7042/1E.
- 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:
 - 1 hour on Question 01 from SECTION A
 - 45 minutes on each of the TWO questions answered from SECTION B.

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SECTION A

Answer Question 01.

EXTRACT A

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EXTRACT B

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EXTRACT C

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Using your understanding of the historical context, assess how convincing the arguments in these three extracts are in relation to Catherine the Great's policy towards Turkey. [30 marks]

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SECTION B

Answer TWO questions.

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**To what extent was the Russian economy transformed by Peter the Great in the years 1698 to 1725?
[25 marks]**

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‘The main reason why Peter the Great introduced westernisation was to increase his own power.’

Assess the validity of this view. [25 marks]

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‘Tsarina Elizabeth’s greatest achievement was the restoration of stability to Russia.’

Assess the validity of this view. [25 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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