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**Edexcel GCE**

**History**

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**Unit 1**

**Option C: The British Empire: Colonisation and Decolonisation**

Monday 16 January 2012 – Afternoon

**Time: 1 hour 20 minutes**

Paper Reference

**6HI01/C**

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### Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **TWO** questions: **ONE** question on each of the **TWO** topics for which you have been prepared. You may only answer **ONE** question on each topic.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*

### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- The quality of your written communication will be assessed in **all** your responses  
– *you should take particular care with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression.*

### Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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## 6HI01/C – The British Empire: Colonisation and Decolonisation

Answer **TWO** questions: **ONE** question on each of the **TWO** topics for which you have been prepared. You may only answer **ONE** question on each topic.

You must start the answer to your first question on page 4.  
You must start the answer to your second question on page 12.

### C1 – The Origins of the British Empire, c1680–1763

#### EITHER

- 1 How far do you agree that the growth of the British Empire in the years c1680–1763 was mainly fuelled by the expansion of the Atlantic slave trade?

(Total for Question 1 = 30 marks)

#### OR

- 2 How far do you agree that British success in the Seven Years War (1756–63) was the key turning point in the expansion of the British Empire in the years c1680–1763?

(Total for Question 2 = 30 marks)

### C2 – Relations with the American Colonies and the War of Independence, c1740–89

#### EITHER

- 3 How far do you agree that French intervention in 1778 was the key turning point in the course of the War of Independence (1775–83)?

(Total for Question 3 = 30 marks)

#### OR

- 4 How successful was the new American state in overcoming its initial weaknesses in the years 1783–89?

(Total for Question 4 = 30 marks)

### C3 – The Slave Trade, Slavery and the Anti-Slavery Campaigns, c1760–1833

#### EITHER

- 5 How accurate is it to say that by 1807 the economic importance of the slave trade for Britain was beginning to decline?

(Total for Question 5 = 30 marks)

#### OR

- 6 How far do you agree that Thomas Clarkson was the most significant individual involved in the campaigns against slavery in the years c1790–1833?

(Total for Question 6 = 30 marks)



#### **C4 – Commerce and Conquest: India, c1760–c1835**

##### **EITHER**

- 7** How accurate is it to say that the failure of traditional Indian rulers to unite was the main reason for their lack of success against British expansion in the years 1763–1835?

**(Total for Question 7 = 30 marks)**

##### **OR**

- 8** To what extent did British attitudes to Indian traditions and beliefs change in the years c1760–c1835?

**(Total for Question 8 = 30 marks)**

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#### **C5 – Commerce and Imperial Expansion, c1815–70**

##### **EITHER**

- 9** How far do you agree that the defeat of France in the Napoleonic Wars was the most important factor in stimulating the expansion of the British imperial influence in the years c1815–70?

**(Total for Question 9 = 30 marks)**

##### **OR**

- 10** How accurate is it to say that British trade promoted the economic development of areas under British imperial influence in the period c1815–70?

**(Total for Question 10 = 30 marks)**

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#### **C6 – Britain and the Scramble for Africa, c1875–1914**

##### **EITHER**

- 11** How far do you agree that expansion in Africa in the years c1875–1914 was primarily motivated by the need to protect British interests from imperial rivals?

**(Total for Question 11 = 30 marks)**

##### **OR**

- 12** To what extent was the development of the Empire in Africa in the years c1875–1914 driven by popular support in Britain?

**(Total for Question 12 = 30 marks)**

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#### **C7 – Retreat from Empire: Decolonisation in Africa, c1957–81**

##### **EITHER**

- 13** How far do you agree that the growth of African nationalism was fuelled mainly by Ghana's success in gaining independence?

**(Total for Question 13 = 30 marks)**

##### **OR**

- 14** How far do you agree that the main reason for British decolonisation in Africa from 1957 was the changing attitude of the British public towards Empire?

**(Total for Question 14 = 30 marks)**







































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