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History

International Advanced Subsidiary

Paper 1: Depth Study with Interpretations

Option 1B: Russia in Revolution, 1881–1917

Wednesday 11 January 2017 – Afternoon

Time: 2 hours

Paper Reference

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You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

Instructions

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- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **TWO** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided – *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets – *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

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

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Answer TWO questions from the following.

You must start the answer to your first question on page 3.

You must start the answer to your second question on page 9.

EITHER

- 1** Historians differ in their judgements about which opposition group was the main threat to Tsarism in the years 1898–1903.

‘The Social Democrats were the main threat to Tsarism in the years 1898–1903.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

(Total for Question 1 = 25 marks)

OR

- 2** Historians differ in their judgements about the effectiveness of Tsarist reforms in the years 1906–14.

‘The political reforms of Tsar Nicholas II were ineffective in the years 1906–14.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

(Total for Question 2 = 25 marks)

OR

- 3** Historians have different explanations for the revolution in Russia in February 1917.

‘Protest in towns was the main reason why there was a revolution in Russia in February 1917.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

(Total for Question 3 = 25 marks)

OR

- 4** Historians have different explanations for the Bolsheviks’ ability to hold on to power in 1917.

‘The signing of the Armistice in December 1917 was the main reason why the Bolsheviks were able to hold on to power in 1917.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

(Total for Question 4 = 25 marks)



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