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### AS GCE HISTORY A

**F962/01** European and World History Period Studies  
Option A: Medieval and Early Modern 1095–1609

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet.

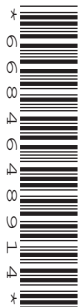
**OCR supplied materials:**

- 12 page Answer Booklet (OCR 12)  
(sent with general stationery)

**Other materials required:**

None

**Duration:** 1 hour 30 minutes



#### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink.
- Answer any **two** questions.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Do **not** write in the barcodes.

#### INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **100**.
- This paper contains questions on the following six Study Topics:
  - The Crusades and Crusader States 1095–1192
  - The Renaissance from c.1400–c.1550
  - Exploration and Discovery c.1445–c.1545
  - Spain 1469–1556
  - Charles V: International Relations and the Holy Roman Empire 1519–1559
  - Philip II, Spain and the Netherlands, 1556–1609.
- There are eighteen questions, three for each Study Topic. Answer any **two** questions.
- You should write in continuous prose and are reminded of the need for clear and accurate writing, including structure of argument, grammar, punctuation and spelling.
- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Answer any **two** questions.

### **The Crusades and Crusader States 1095–1192**

- 1 Assess the reasons why the People's Crusade failed. [50]
- 2 How serious were the problems faced by the Crusader states in the period 1100–1147? [50]
- 3 'The personal ambition of rulers was the most important motive in the Third Crusade.' How far do you agree? [50]

### **The Renaissance from c.1400–c.1550**

- 4 To what extent was self-glorification the main motive for patrons of Renaissance artists? [50]
- 5 'Nothing more than the re-working of classical ideas.' How far do you agree with this view of developments in the visual arts in this period? [50]
- 6 To what extent did the Renaissance reflect the ideals of humanism? [50]

### **Exploration and Discovery c.1445–c.1545**

- 7 How far did Spain and Portugal embark on overseas exploration for similar reasons? [50]
- 8 To what extent were technical advances responsible for success in exploration and discovery from 1450 to 1530? [50]
- 9 How significant was the contribution of Columbus to Spanish overseas exploration? [50]

### **Spain 1469–1556**

- 10 To what extent were the religious policies of Ferdinand and Isabella dominated by the desire for religious uniformity? [50]
- 11 How far did Ferdinand and Isabella succeed in establishing law and order during the period 1469–1516? [50]
- 12 How far were the problems faced by Charles I in the early years of his reign caused by a lack of unity in Spain? [50]

**Charles V: International Relations and the Holy Roman Empire 1519–1559**

- 13 To what extent did Charles V's relations with the German princes change during his rule? [50]
- 14 Assess the reasons why Lutheranism had become firmly established in the Holy Roman Empire by 1555. [50]
- 15 Compare Charles V's success in his wars against France and in his struggles against the Ottomans. [50]

**Philip II, Spain and the Netherlands, 1556–1609**

- 16 How serious were the problems faced by Spain by the 1590s? [50]
- 17 Assess the reasons for Philip II's unpopularity in the Netherlands. [50]
- 18 Assess the reasons why the Spanish were able to retain the Southern provinces of the Netherlands. [50]

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**

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