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**Friday 16 October 2020 – Afternoon**

**A Level History A**

**Y210/01 Russia 1645–1741**

**Time allowed: 1 hour**



**You must have:**

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Choose **one** question and answer **all** the parts of that question.

**INFORMATION**

- The total mark for this paper is **30**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [ ].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (\*).
- This document has **2** pages.

**ADVICE**

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

Answer **EITHER** all of Question 1 **OR** all of Question 2.

1 (a) Which of the following was the more significant development in Peter the Great's war against Sweden?

(i) The battle of Narva (1700)

(ii) The Swedish invasion of Russia (1707)

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]

(b)\* 'Russia's economic backwardness was the most serious problem facing Tsars Alexis and Feodor in the years from 1645 to 1682.' How far do you agree? [20]

**OR**

2 (a) Which of the following posed the greater threat to Russia's rulers?

(i) The revolt of Stenka Razin

(ii) The actions of Ivan Mazeppa

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]

(b)\* Assess the reasons for Peter the Great's foreign policy successes. [20]

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**

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