

THE TOWNSEND-WARNER HISTORY PRIZE 2019

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PAPER TWO

INSTRUCTIONS

1. *The time allowed is TWO HOURS.*
2. *Answer all questions.*
3. *Avoid writing about the same subject twice. Scripts will be penalised if there is repetition of material.*

4. *Marks will be allocated as follows:*

Question 1 – 30 marks (15 marks each)

Question 3 – 20 marks

Question 2 – 20 marks

Question 4 – 30 marks

1. **Write fully on TWO of the following:**

Avebury Circle

The Battle of Actium (31BC)

Caesar's invasions of Britain (55-54BC)

The Anglo-Saxon Chronicle

King Cnut (1016-1035)

The First Crusade (1095-1099)

Thomas Becket (1119-1170)

Magna Carta (1215)

Geoffrey Chaucer (1343-1400)

The Peasants' Revolt (1381)

The Battle of Bosworth Field (1485)

Cardinal Wolsey (1473-1530)

The Dissolution of Monasteries (1536-1541)

Queen Mary 1 (1553-1558)

The Ridolfi Plot (1571)

The Gunpowder Plot (1605)

Frans Hals (1582-1666)

The Battle of Marston Moor (1644)

Oliver Cromwell in Ireland (1649-1653)

The Second Anglo-Dutch War (1665-1667)

The Popish Plot (1678-1681)

The Bloody Assizes (1685)

Queen Anne (1702-1714)

Gibraltar (1704-2018)

The Battle of Sheriffmuir (1715)

Prime Minister Robert Walpole (1721-1742)

George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

The Year of Victories (1759)

The Surrender at Yorktown (1781)

The Highland Clearances

The Peninsular War (1807-1813)

Daniel O'Connell (1775-1847)

The Great Reform Act (1832)

The California Gold Rush (1848-1855)

The Great Exhibition (1851)

Florence Nightingale (1820-1910)

Albert, Prince Consort (1840-1861)

The Battle of Rorke's Drift (1879)

William Gladstone (1809-1898)

The Battle of Jutland (1916)

The Armistice (1918)

The Emancipation of Women (1918-1928)

The Irish Civil War (1922-1923)

Marie Curie (1867-1934)

The Munich Crisis (1938)

The Battle of Kursk (1943)

The National Health Service (1948-2018)

The Berlin Wall (1961-1989)

Nelson Mandela (1918-2013)

The Sinking of the Belgrano (1982)

(30 marks)

Please turn over for Question 2

2. Advice to my younger self. Imagine you are a famous ruler or politician, or military commander, or rebel leader, or artist of any kind. You are looking back on your career in old age and have the knowledge of how events turned out. What advice would you give to your younger self if you had the chance to do so, about how you could have done things differently?

OR Write between three and five entries from an imaginary diary kept by a famous historical figure. The individual whom you choose can come from any country, but must be writing before the year 2000. Make clear what events you are commenting on and make your diary extracts as historically accurate and interesting as you can.

(20 marks)

3. Choose the events of any ONE DAY in the history of either Britain or the world. Write a newspaper article, with an appropriate headline, as if written a few days later. Your article should explain the background to the event and assess what might be the long term consequences.

(20 marks)

4. Write an essay on ONE of the following:

a) How did the Romans change life in Britain?

b) Write about the achievements and significance of one of these monarchs of medieval England: William I, Henry II, Edward I.

c) Discuss the significance of one of the following documents: the Domesday Book (1086), the Bill of Rights (1689), The Act of Union (1707).

d) Choose any ruler of England in the sixteenth or seventeenth centuries and assess the importance of his or her reign.

e) Explain the origins of one of the following wars: the Hundred Years War, the English Civil War, the Crimean War, the American Civil War.

f) Assess the importance of one of the following Presidents of the United States: George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Franklin D. Roosevelt.

g) Why was Britain the first country to experience an industrial revolution in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries? Discuss the key features of this revolution.

h) What were the main turning-points in the defeat of Germany in either World War I or World War II? Explain why those moments were important.

i) What were the strengths and weaknesses of Winston Churchill as a leader in war?

j) Choose any architect, composer, explorer, novelist, painter, playwright, poet or scientist, or a famous relative. Describe his or her achievement and assess his or her importance.

(30 marks)

***Answers to Hugh Thompson, Coolbawn, 25 Links Drive, Radlett, Hertfordshire, WD7 8BD
Please enclose a formal certificate of invigilation. Candidates whose papers are sent without this certificate may be disqualified.***