

THE TOWNSEND-WARNER HISTORY PRIZE 2021

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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 for repetition.*
4. *Marks will be allocated as follows:*

Question 1 – 30 marks (15 marks each)

Question 2 – 20 marks

Question 3 – 20 marks

Question 4 – 30 marks

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

Cleopatra (69-30 BC)
Verulamium (c.50-c.450)
The Antonine Wall (142-162)
Beowulf (c.700-1000)
The Sutton Hoo Ship Burial (6th-7th century)
Alfred the Great (849-899)
Ethelred the Unready (978-1016)
The Battle of Stamford Bridge (1066)
St Francis of Assisi (?–1226)
Edward I and Scotland (1296 –1307)
Piers Gaveston (1284 -1312)
Henry the Navigator (1394-1460)
The *Mary Rose* (1511-1545)
Martin Luther (1483-1546)
Kett's Rebellion (1549)
The Babington Plot (1586)
The Capture of Cadiz (1596)
Thomas Wentworth (1543-1641)
The Battle of Edgehill (1642)
Artemisia Gentileschi (1593-1653)
The Levellers (1645-1649)
The Protectorate (1653-1659)
The Great Plague of London (1665)
James II (1685-1688)
The Siege of Londonderry (1689)
The Palace of Versailles (1682-1789)
James Brindley (1716-1772)
The Battle of Culloden Moor (1746)
William Pitt the Elder (1708-1778)
George Washington (1732-1799)

The Battle of the Nile (1798)
Toussaint Louverture (1743-1803)
The Peterloo Massacre (1819)
Thomas Telford (1757-1834)
The Catholic Emancipation Act (1829)
The Tolpuddle Martyrs (1834)
The First Afghan War (1843-1842)
Robert Owen (1771-1858)
The Battle of Gettysburg (1863)
Harriet Tubman (?-1913)
Ralph Vaughan-Williams (1872-1958)
The Battle of Passchendaele (1917)
Sun Yat-sen (1866-1925)
The German invasion of Poland (1939)
Sir Barnes Wallis (1887-1979)
Clement Attlee (1883-1967)
Guy Burgess (1911-1963)
The Cuban Missile Crisis (1962)
Indira Gandhi (1917-1984)
9/11 (2001)

2. Identify the main reasons for ONE of the following. 15-20 lines will be sufficient.

- a) The end of Roman rule in Britain (c. 388-410)
- b) The success of William I's invasion of England (1066)
- c) The murder of Thomas Becket (1170)
- d) The loss of Normandy (1204)
- e) The English defeat at Bannockburn (1314)
- f) The Peasants' Revolt (1381)
- g) The Battle of Agincourt (1415)
- h) The Dissolution of the Monasteries (1536-1541)
- i) The Royalist defeat in the first English Civil War (1642-1646)
- j) The defeat of Monmouth's rebellion (1685)
- k) The American colonists' wish to break away from Britain in the 1770s
- l) The Indian rebellion of 1857
- m) The end of either World War I (1918) or World War II (1945)
- n) The decline of the British coal industry after 1980

(20 marks)

3. You have been asked to produce a TV programme on an historical episode of your choice. Explain what topic you would choose and the reason for your choice. Explain what themes you would focus on and what evidence you would use.

OR There is a memorial inscription to Sir Walter Raleigh in St Margaret's Church, Westminster, which ends: 'Reader – should you reflect on his errors remember his many virtues and that he was a mortal.' Choose ANY historical figure you wish and explain why this epitaph would be appropriate for the man or woman of your choice.

(20 marks)

4. Write an essay on ONE of the following:

- a) Assess the achievements of one of the following rulers:
Edward I, Henry II, Henry VIII, Mary I, James I, Charles II, George I, George V.
- b) Write an essay on either the Medieval Church or Medieval Kingship.
- c) Explain the most important turning points in the history of medicine.
- d) Explain the importance and role of the navy in Elizabeth I's reign?
- e) Why was Britain the first country to undergo an industrial revolution?
- f) Why did the campaign against slavery gather momentum between 1770 and 1833?
- g) Explain the historical importance of any British Prime Minister.
- h) Explain the reasons why one of the following came to power:
Catherine the Great, Napoleon, Lenin, Stalin, Mao Zedong, Nelson Mandela.
- i) Explain the importance of any scientist or writer in history.
- j) Assess the contribution of the tank as a weapon of war in the 20th century.
- k) Assess the historical importance of one of the following: The Easter Rising (1916), the Warsaw Rising (1944), the Hungarian Rising (1956).
- l) Describe any local history study you have made and explain how it has helped your understanding of history.

(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.**