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PAPER 1

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Time allowed: 1 hour
2. Write your answers briefly and clearly **ON THE QUESTION SHEET** in the space provided.
3. The papers and invigilation certificates should be sent by the first available post to:
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1. For what are the following famous? Be as precise as possible.

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| a) Boudica | _____ |
| b) Eleanor of Aquitaine | _____ |
| c) Simon de Montfort | _____ |
| d) William Wallace | _____ |
| e) Francis Walsingham | _____ |
| f) Oliver Cromwell | _____ |
| g) Maximilien Robespierre | _____ |
| h) Horatio Nelson | _____ |
| i) George Custer | _____ |
| j) Yuri Gagarin | _____ |

2. What do the following have in common?

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| a) Hippocrates; Edward Jenner; Alexander Fleming | _____ |
| b) Comanche; Sioux; Iroquois | _____ |
| c) William I; William II; Henry I | _____ |
| d) Lincoln; Durham; Winchester | _____ |
| e) Lanfranc; Anselm; Becket | _____ |
| f) Christopher Columbus; Ferdinand Magellan; James Cook | _____ |
| g) Edward VI; Mary I; Elizabeth I | _____ |
| h) Marston Moor; Edgehill; Naseby | _____ |
| i) William Wordsworth; John Keats; Lord Byron | _____ |
| j) Stalingrad; Arnhem; Iwo Jima | _____ |

3. What is the significance of the following dates in British history?

- a) 1066 _____
- b) 1215 _____
- c) 1284 _____
- d) 1381 _____
- e) 1559 _____
- f) 1649 _____
- g) 1707 _____
- h) 1720 _____
- i) 1834 _____
- j) 1921 _____

4. Explain the meaning of the following. Be as precise as possible.

- a) Danelaw _____
- b) Nave _____
- c) Fyrd _____
- d) Motte-and-bailey _____
- e) Fief _____
- f) Priest hole _____
- g) Press gang _____
- h) Powder monkey _____
- i) Workhouse _____
- j) Ration book _____

5. Identify the British monarch from the clues.

- a) Raised in Normandy; crowned in 1042 _____
- b) Argued with Anselm; died in New Forest hunting accident, 1100 _____
- c) Son of Henry II; taken prisoner as he returned from the Third Crusade _____
- d) Fought war against his cousin; taken prisoner at Lincoln, 1141 _____
- e) Born in Monmouth; won a famous victory against the French in 1415 _____
- f) Allegedly murdered nephews; defeated at Bosworth Field in 1485 _____
- g) Married six times; broke with Rome in 1534 _____
- h) Married Henrietta Maria; executed in 1649 _____
- i) Second longest reigning monarch; proclaimed Empress of India in 1877 _____
- j) On the throne during the First World War; delivered the first Christmas broadcast in 1932 _____

6. Vive la revolution! Identify the event from the following clues.

- a) Ended rule of James II; William of Orange ascended to the throne; 1688 _____
- b) Thirteen colonies broke away from British rule; 1776; George Washington _____
- c) Execution of Louis XVI; storming of Bastille; 1789 _____
- d) Successful slave rebellion; French colony in central America; 1791 _____
- e) Springtime of the peoples; widespread rebellion across Europe; failed; _____
- f) Ended Romanov rule; led by Lenin; 1917 _____
- g) Munich; Adolf Hitler fled; 1923 _____
- h) Witnessed the Long March; led by Mao Zedong; 1949 _____
- i) Removed Batista from power; rise of Fidel Castro; 1959 _____
- j) End of the Shah's government; Tehran; 1979 _____

7. The reason is treason: identify the intended victim of assassination from the location.

- a) Curia of Pompey, Rome (44BC) _____
- b) The House of Lords (1605) _____
- c) Lobby of the House of Commons (1812) _____
- d) Constitution Hill, London (1840) _____
- e) Ford's Theatre, Washington D.C. (1865) _____
- f) Franz Joseph Street, Sarajevo (1914) _____
- g) The Wolf's Lair, Rastenburg (1944) _____
- h) Birla House, New Delhi (1948) _____
- i) Dealey Plaza, Dallas (1963) _____
- j) The Grand Hotel, Brighton (1984) _____

8. Answer the following questions.

- a) In which English county would you find Stonehenge? _____
- b) Where did Harold Godwinson defeat Harald Hardrada in 1066? _____
- c) On which day was William I crowned? _____
- d) In which year was the Domesday Book started? _____
- e) In which cathedral was Becket murdered in 1170? _____
- f) What was The Pale? _____
- g) Where did Elizabeth I supposedly make an historic speech in 1588? _____
- h) Where did the *Mayflower* sail from in 1620? _____
- i) Who were the Huguenots? _____
- j) In which year was the Great Fire of London? _____

- k) For what is William Wilberforce best remembered? _____
- l) Which London monument celebrates a famous naval victory in 1805? _____
- m) In which year was the siege of Lucknow? _____
- n) Where was Sir Winston Churchill born? _____
- o) What was the Marshalsea? _____
- p) For what is Sir Joseph Bazalgette best remembered? _____
- q) What was the Schwerer Gustav? _____
- r) Who was known as the Desert Fox? _____
- s) What does 'V' stand for in VE-Day? _____
- t) Who was the Iraqi dictator whose forces were ousted from Kuwait in 1991 _____

9. Who won the following battles?

- a) Hastings (1066) _____
- b) Dorylaeum (1097) _____
- c) Arsuf (1191) _____
- d) Agincourt (1415) _____
- e) Boyne (1690) _____
- f) Culloden (1746) _____
- g) Bunker Hill (1775) _____
- h) Nile (1798) _____
- i) Waterloo (1815) _____
- j) Second Battle of El-Alamein (1942) _____