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**Thursday 9 January 2020**

Afternoon (Time: 2 hours)

Paper Reference **WHI01/1B**

**History**

**International Advanced Subsidiary**

**Paper 1: Depth Study with Interpretations**

**Option 1B: Russia in Revolution, 1881–1917**

**You do not need any other materials.**

Total Marks

### Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **TWO** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*

### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

### Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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**Answer TWO questions from the following.**

**You must start your answer to your first question on page 3.**

**You must start your answer to your second question on page 13.**

**EITHER**

- 1** Historians differ in their judgements about which opposition group posed the greatest threat to Tsarism in the years 1898–1903.

‘In the years 1898–1903 it was the Social Revolutionary Party that posed the greatest threat to Tsarism.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

**(Total for Question 1 = 25 marks)**

**OR**

- 2** Historians have different explanations for why there was a revolution in Russia in 1905.

‘The impact of Bloody Sunday was more significant in causing the 1905 Revolution than was the impact of the Russo-Japanese War.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

**(Total for Question 2 = 25 marks)**

**OR**

- 3** Historians differ in their judgements about the impact of the First World War on Russia in the years 1914–16.

‘The main impact of the First World War on Russia, in the years 1914–16, was economic chaos.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

**(Total for Question 3 = 25 marks)**

**OR**

- 4** Historians have different explanations for the Bolshevik seizure of power in October 1917.

‘The impact of the Kornilov affair was the main reason why the Bolsheviks were able to seize power in October 1917.’

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

**(Total for Question 4 = 25 marks)**





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