



HISTORY ROUTE 1 HIGHER LEVEL

PAPER 3 – ASPECTS OF THE HISTORY OF MEDIEVAL EUROPE AND THE ISLAMIC WORLD

Wednesday 12 May 2010 (morning)

2 hours 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer three questions.

- 1. Compare and contrast the lives and works of monks and friars in medieval England.
- 2. "Under Innocent III (1198–1216), the papacy attempted to play a larger part in both temporal and spiritual affairs than ever before or since." To what extent do you agree with this statement?
- 3. Discuss the reasons for, and the results of, the rise of the Fatimids in North Africa between 909 and 969.
- **4.** In what ways, and with what results, did the Fatimids influence economic and commercial development in the Mediterranean and Red Sea areas?
- 5. For what reasons, and with what success, did Henry I (1100–1135) develop royal administration in England?
- **6.** Analyse the reasons why Philip II (1180–1223) was able to establish France as a major power in medieval Europe.
- 7. Why did either Christians take part in the Crusades or Muslims take part in jihad between 1095 and 1291?
- **8.** Evaluate the role of **one** of the following in the Crusades: Godfrey de Bouillon; Bohemond I of Antioch; Salah al-Din (Saladin).
- **9.** To what extent was the rise of the Mongols due to Genghis Khan?
- **10.** Analyse the effects of the Mongols' eventual assimilation into Islam.
- 11. Compare and contrast the Almoravids (1061–1147) and the Almohads (1147–1269).
- **12.** "Fifteenth century Spain is best described as a Hispano-Arab society." To what extent do you agree with this statement?
- **13.** Analyse the successes and failures of Emperor Frederick II in Imperial Italy and Sicily between 1220 and 1250.
- 14. Discuss the impact of King John's reign on England between 1199 and 1216.

- 15. Why, and with what results, was the English monarchy plagued by succession crises in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries?
- **16.** "Although a rebel in his youth, Louis XI (1461–1483) laid the basis for an absolute monarchy in France." To what extent do you agree with this statement?
- 17. Examine the reasons for, and the effects of, one popular insurrection in fourteenth century Europe.
- **18.** Assess the main features of social and economic changes in the countryside of **one** European country in the fourteenth century.
- 19. Analyse the reasons for the success of the Ottomans as conquerors until 1566.
- **20.** Evaluate Ottoman art and its contribution to **either** European **or** Islamic culture up to 1566.
- 21. Analyse the successes and failures of Lorenzo de Medici (1449–1492).
- 22. For what reasons, and with what results, were many Italian cities wealthy between 1300 and 1500?
- 23. "Exploration between 1400 and 1550 was motivated by both a search for knowledge and greed." To what extent do you agree with this statement?
- **24.** Compare and contrast the contribution to exploration and travel of **either two** European explorers **or two** Muslim travellers.