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History

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Paper 1: Depth Study with Interpretations

Option 1B: Russia in Revolution, 1881-1917

Wednesday 16 May 2018 – Afternoon

Time: 2 hours

Paper Reference

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Instructions

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- **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 9.

EITHER

- 1** Historians have different explanations for economic development in Russia in the years 1891-1903.

'The growth of railways was the main reason for economic development in Russia in the years 1891-1903.'

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

(Total for Question 1 = 25 marks)

OR

- 2** Historians differ in their judgements about the Tsarist political system in Russia in the years 1903-14.

'The Tsarist political system changed significantly in the years 1903-14.'

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 ending of Romanov rule.

'Russia's entry into the First World War was the key turning point in the process that ended Romanov rule in 1917.'

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

(Total for Question 3 = 25 marks)

OR

- 4** Historians differ in their judgements about the Bolshevik seizure of power in October 1917.

'The actions of Trotsky were more significant than the actions of Lenin in the Bolshevik seizure of power in October 1917.'

Assess this view using your own knowledge of the issue.

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