



**GCE AS/A level**

1231/05



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**HISTORY – HY1**

**UNIT 1**

**PERIOD STUDY 5**

**Aspects of the History of Europe, c. 1515-1621**

P.M. WEDNESDAY, 13 May 2015

1 hour 40 minutes

### **ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

In addition to this examination paper, you will need a 12 page answer book.

### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Answer **two** questions.

### **INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

The number of marks is given in square brackets at the end of each part-question.

The time you spend on a question should be in proportion to the marks available.

**You are reminded that assessment will take into account the quality of written communication used in your answers.**

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Answer two questions.

*In your answer to part (a) you are advised to provide a linked and coherent explanation.*

*In your answer to part (b) you are advised to evaluate the issue named in the question against a range of other important issues.*

**1. The threat to Europe from the Ottoman Empire, c. 1520-1571**

- (a) **Explain why** the Ottoman Sultans were powerful. [24]
- (b) How far was French reaction to the Ottoman threat the **most significant development** in the relationship between Europe and the Ottoman Empire, 1520-1571? [36]

**2. Martin Luther and the German Reformation, c. 1517-1555**

- (a) **Explain why** many German princes converted to Lutheranism. [24]
- (b) To what extent was Imperial reaction to Luther **mainly responsible** for the development of the German Reformation, 1517-1555? [36]

**3. France, 1515-1547**

- (a) **Explain why** there were financial problems in the reign of Francis I. [24]
- (b) To what extent was Francis I's response to religious change the **most significant development** in France in the period 1515-1547? [36]

**4. Spain in the reign of Charles V, c. 1516-1556**

- (a) **Explain why** there was rivalry with France during the reign of Charles V. [24]
- (b) How far did finance have the **most significant impact** on Spain in the period 1516-1556? [36]

**END OF PAPER**