



A-level HISTORY

Component 1G Challenge and transformation: Britain, c1851–1964

Friday 23 May 2025 Morning Time allowed: 2 hours 30 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 16-page answer book.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is 7042/1G.
- Answer **three** questions.
In **Section A** answer Question 01.
In **Section B** answer **two** questions.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Advice

- You are advised to spend about:
 - 1 hour on Question 01 from **Section A**
 - 45 minutes on each of the **two** questions answered from **Section B**.

Section A

Answer Question 01.

Extract A

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Extract B

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The extract is adapted from pages 165 – 168 and 354 of A History of Ireland by Mike Cronin, printed by Palgrave in 2001, ISBN 0-333-65433-1.

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Extract C

Opposition to Home Rule in Ulster was based on a variety of reasons. In the latter years of the 19th century, economic reasons came to the fore. Although Ulster accounted for only 26% of the land mass of Ireland, most of Ireland's industries were concentrated there. By 1911, 50% of all industrial jobs in Ireland were located in Ulster, while one in five was in Belfast. Industrial expansion was matched by growing civic pride and this was rewarded when Belfast was awarded city status in 1888. Belfast became the focal point for unionist agitation. Serious and deadly rioting occurred there in 1886 and 1893. The supremacy of northern unionism was confirmed by the formation of the Ulster Unionist Council in 1905. Its main support was from Belfast's industrial workers. By focusing only on issues to do with the north, a new, more limited version of unionism emerged, which marked an important step in the demand for a separate Ulster.

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Using your understanding of the historical context, assess how convincing the arguments in these three extracts are in relation to changes in Ireland in the years 1886 to 1912.

[30 marks]

Turn over for Section B

Section B

Answer **two** questions.

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'The strengthening of the Conservative Party, in the years 1867 to 1895, was due to Disraeli and his legacy.'

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]

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'British governments dealt effectively with the economic challenges they faced in the years 1919 to 1939.'

Assess the validity of this view.

[25 marks]

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To what extent were the aims of the Beveridge Report achieved in the years 1942 to 1964?

[25 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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