

AS HISTORY

The Wars of the Roses, 1450–1499

Component 2B The Fall of the House of Lancaster, 1450–1471

Wednesday 25 May 2016 Afternoon Time allowed: 1 hour 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 7041/2B.
- Answer **two** questions.
In **Section A** answer Question 01.
In **Section B** answer **either** 02 **or** 03.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 50.
- 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:
 - 50 minutes on Section A
 - 40 minutes on Section B.

Section AAnswer Question 01.

Source A

From the 'Crowland Chronicle: First Continuation', a contemporary monastic chronicle that was usually supportive of Edward IV's Yorkist regime.

In 1469 there arose a great disagreement between Edward IV and his kinsman, Richard, the most illustrious Earl of Warwick. The reason was that the King was too greatly influenced by the urgent suggestions of the Queen, as well as those who were in any way connected with her by blood, enriching them with boundless presents and always promoting them to the most dignified offices about his person. While, at the same time, he banished from his presence his own brethren and his kinsmen sprung from the royal blood, together with the Earl of Warwick himself, and the other nobles of the realm who had always proved faithful to him. 5

Source B

From 'Hearne's Fragment' an anonymous work by someone acquainted with and sympathetic to Edward IV. It was written after the events it describes, probably between 1516 and 1522.

The Earl of Warwick's limitless ambition could not be satisfied, yet there was none in England of half the possessions he had. Firstly he had all the earldom of Warwick whole, with the Despenser lands and the earldom of Salisbury. He was Great Chamberlain of England, Chief Admiral, Captain of Calais and Lieutenant of Ireland. The possession of these amounted to 20,000 marks, yet he desired more. He counselled and enticed the Duke of Clarence, and caused him to marry his eldest daughter, Isabel, without the advice or knowledge of King Edward. Wherefore the King took a great displeasure with both the Duke of Clarence and the Earl of Warwick, and there were unkind words between them. After that day there was never perfect love between them. 5

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With reference to these sources and your understanding of the historical context, which of these two sources is more valuable in explaining the conflict between Edward IV and the Earl of Warwick?

[25 marks]

Section B

Answer **either** Question 02 **or** Question 03.

Either

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'The loss of Normandy was the main reason for opposition to the Duke of Somerset's faction in the years 1450 to 1455.'

Explain why you agree or disagree with this view.

[25 marks]

or

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'Baronial warfare in the years 1459 to 1471 had a devastating impact on English society.'

Explain why you agree or disagree with this view.

[25 marks]

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