ST EDWARD'S SCHOOL
OXFORD

13+ SCHOLARSHIP EXAMINATION
2014
HISTORY PAPER
Time: 1 hour

Instructions to Candidates

1. Answer the question from Section A and answer **ONE** question from Section B.

2. You are advised to spend 25 minutes on Section A and 35 minutes on Section B.

3. You are reminded of the importance of clear and orderly presentation in your answers.

Section A

The following sources are accounts of the sermon delivered at the Council of Clermont in 1095 by Pope Urban II. The Pope was calling for a crusade, an armed expedition to recapture the city of Jerusalem, the most sacred place in the Christian world. The three writers below recorded what they remembered from the sermon in the years following 1095. You are not expected to know anything about the period, but you will be asked to make deductions about it from the sources below. Read the sources and answer the question below. Spend 25 minutes on this section.

Accounts of the sermon delivered at Clermont, France in November 1095 by Pope Urban II

"A grave report has come from lands around Jerusalem and that a people from the Kingdom of the Persians and alien from God…has invaded the land of those Christian and has reduced the people with sword and flame and have razed the churches of God to the ground. On whom, therefore, does the task lie of avenging this, if not upon you? Take the road to Jerusalem, rescue that land from a dreadful race and rule over it yourselves, for that land overfloweth with milk and honey."

Account of Robert of Rheims

"If you consider that you ought to make a pilgrimage [to Rome], what expense of spirit can you refuse in order to rescue, and make a pilgrimage to, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre? Until now you have fought unjust wars: you have often savagely brandished your spears at one another out of greed and pride, for which you deserve eternal damnation! Now we are proposing that you should fight wars which contain the glorious reward of martyrdom. God has, in our time, instituted holy warfare in order that arms bearers and the wandering masses…might find a new way of finding salvation."

Account of Guibert of Nogent

"It is better to die in battle than to tolerate the abuse of your race in the Holy Places!"

Account of Baldric of Bourgueil

Pilgrimage = journey to a holy place for redemption of sins

Crusade = armed pilgrimage to capture the holy sites in Jerusalem

Church of the Holy Sepulchre = in Jerusalem

Question:

What do the above sources tell you about religion and society in the 11th century? **(20 marks)**

Section B

Essay question

Spend 35 minutes on this section. Answer **ONE** essay question from the following list. Illustrate the points you make in your essay with relevant examples from any period or any area of history that you have studied. Ensure your essay has an **argument** or **discussion** and you are **not** simply writing a descriptive explanation of events. You must write in full sentences.

i) Unlike Henry Ford, who said that "all history is bunk," (meaning nonsense) say why you think history is an important subject to learn at school? Explain your answer.

ii) The 19th century historian Thomas Carlyle said that "the history of the world is the biography of great men." Choose one individual you have studied and explain the impact they have had upon history.

iii) "Just one darned thing after another!" Is history more than simply a list of dates and events? Explain your answer.

iv) How has religion had an impact upon history? Explain your answer.

v) 2014 marks the hundredth anniversary of the outbreak of the First World War. How should we remember the conflict?

(30 marks)