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A Level History A

Y203/01 The Crusades and the Crusader States 1095–1192

Time allowed: 1 hour

You must have:
- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet

INSTRUCTIONS
- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Choose **one** question and answer **all** the parts of that question.

INFORMATION
- The total mark for this paper is **30**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets **[ ]**.
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- This document has **4** pages.

ADVICE
- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

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Answer Question 1 **or** Question 2.

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(a) Which of the following contributed more to the weakness of the Crusader States in the 12th Century?

(i) The death of Baldwin II

(ii) The events of 1183–1186

Explain your answer with reference to both **(i)** and **(ii)**. **[10]**

(b)* 'The military tactics of the Crusaders were the most important reason for the success of the First Crusade.'

How far do you agree? **[20]**

2

(a) Which of the following was of greater importance in contributing to the outcome of the Third Crusade?

(i) Events at Acre and Jaffa

(ii) Negotiations with Saladin

Explain your answer with reference to both **(i)** and **(ii)**. **[10]**

(b)* 'The survival of the Crusader States in the 12th Century was dependent on western aid.'

How far do you agree? **[20]**

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