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A Level History A

Y213/01 The French Revolution and the rule of Napoleon 1774–1815

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 was a more important cause of the French Revolution?

(i) The structure of the Ancien Régime

(ii) The financial problems of France

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

(b)* How successful was Napoleon as a military leader in the period from 1799 to 1807? **[20]**

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(a) Which of the following was of greater importance in the overthrow of the French monarchy in 1792?

(i) The military crisis

(ii) The sans-culottes

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

(b)* How important was Britain's role in the defeat of Napoleon? **[20]**

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