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A Level History A

Y220/01 Italy 1896–1943

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 the greater problem for Italy during the period from 1896 to 1915?

(i) Industrial action: violence and strikes

(ii) Irredentism

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

(b)* 'Fascist Italy's use of propaganda was its greatest domestic policy success during the period from 1925 to 1940.'

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

2

(a) Which of the following created more problems for Italy during the period from 1915 to 1925?

(i) Italy's conduct in the First World War

(ii) The 'mutilated victory'

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

(b)* 'Italian foreign and colonial policy was largely successful during the period from 1896 to 1915.'

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

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