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A Level History A

Y221/01 Democracy and Dictatorships in Germany 1919–1963

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 more successful in Nazi Germany during the period from 1933 to 1939?

(i) Gleichschaltung

(ii) Autarky

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

(b)* 'The building of the Berlin Wall was the most significant development in the division of Germany during the period from the end of the Berlin Blockade in May 1949 to 1963.'

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

2

(a) Which of the following was the more important cause of tensions over Germany during the period from 1945 to 1949?

(i) Bizonia

(ii) The Berlin Blockade

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

(b)* 'Communist revolts were the greatest challenge facing the German government during the period from 1919 to 1923.'

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

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