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A Level History A

Y217/01 Japan 1853–1937

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 had the greater impact in Japan during the period from 1868 to 1912?

(i) Economic change

(ii) Educational change

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

(b)* How important was the role of foreign powers in increasing resistance to the Shogunate? **[20]**

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(a) Which of the following was of greater importance in causing peasant unrest in late Tokugawa Japan?

(i) Social tensions

(ii) Disease

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

(b)* Assess the reasons for the imperial ambitions of Japan during the period from 1868 to 1920. **[20]**

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