

GCSE (9-1)

History A (Explaining the Modern World)

J410/12: The English Reformation c.1520-c.1550 with Castles: Form and Function c.1000-1750

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Mark Scheme for November 2020

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Annotations

Annotation	Meaning
✓ 1	Level 1
✓ 2	Level 2
✓ 3	Level 3
✓ 4	Level 4
₹ 5	Level 5
SEEN	Noted but no credit given
NAQ	Not addressing question
~~~	Valid point / Development / Evidence / Support

### 1. Subject-specific Marking Instructions

#### INTRODUCTION

Your first task as an Examiner is to become thoroughly familiar with the material on which the examination depends. This material includes:

- the specification, especially the assessment objectives
- the question paper and its rubrics
- the mark scheme.

You should ensure that you have copies of these materials.

Please ask for help or guidance whenever you need it. Your first point of contact is your Team Leader.

#### INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR EXAMINERS

- The practice and standardisation scripts provide you with *examples* of the standard of each band. The marks awarded for these scripts will have been agreed by the PE and Senior Examiners.
- The specific task-related indicative content for each question will help you to understand how the band descriptors may be applied. However, this indicative content does not constitute the mark scheme: it is material that candidates might use, grouped according to each assessment objective tested by the question. It is hoped that candidates will respond to questions in a variety of ways. Rigid demands for 'what must be a good answer' would lead to a distorted assessment.
- Candidates' answers must be relevant to the question. Beware of seemingly prepared answers that do not show the candidate's thought and which have not been adapted to the thrust of the question. Beware also of answers where candidates attempt to reproduce interpretations and concepts that they have been taught but have only partially understood.

#### Awarding Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar to scripts with a scribe coversheet

- a. If a script has a **scribe cover sheet** it is vital to check which boxes are ticked and award as per the instructions and grid below:
  - i. Assess the work for SPaG in accordance with the normal marking criteria. The initial assessment must be made as if the candidate had not used a scribe (or word processor) and was eligible for all the SPaG marks.
  - ii. Check the cover sheet to see what has been dictated (or what facilities were disabled on the word processor) and therefore what proportion of marks is available to the candidate.
- iii. Convert the SPaG mark to reflect the correct proportion using the conversion table given below.

SPaG mark awarded	Mark if candidate eligible for one third (e.g. grammar only)	Mark if candidate eligible for two thirds (e.g. grammar and punctuation only)
0	0	0
1	0	1
2	1	1
3	1	2
4	1	3
5	2	3

- b. If a script has a **word processor cover sheet** attached to it the candidate **can** still access SPaG marks (see point a. above) unless the cover sheet states that the checking functionality is enabled, in which case no SPaG marks are available.
- c. If a script has a **word processor cover sheet AND** a **scribe cover sheet** attached to it, see point a. above.
- d. If you come across a typewritten script **without** a cover sheet please check with the OCR Special Requirements Team at <a href="mailto:specialrequirements@ocr.org.uk">specialrequirements@ocr.org.uk</a> who can check what access arrangements were agreed.
- e. If the script has a transcript, Oral Language Modifier, Sign Language Interpreter or a Practical Assistant cover sheet, award SPaG as normal.

### The English Reformation c.1520-c.1550

1. Explain why some people protested against the dissolution of the monasteries.

Assessment Objectives	AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. [5]
	AO2: Explain and analyse historical events and periods studied using second order historical concepts. [5]
Additional Guidance	
	The 'Indicative content' is an example of historically valid content; any other historically valid content is acceptable and should be credited in line with the levels of response.
	The 'Indicative content' shown is not a full exemplar answer, but exemplifies the sophistication expected at each level.
	No reward can be given for wider knowledge of the period that remains unrelated to the topic in the question.

Levels	Indicative content	Marks
Level 5  Response demonstrates a range of detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding that is fully relevant to the question.  This is used to develop a full explanation and thorough, convincing analysis, using second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.	Indicative content  Level 5 answers will typically explain more than one reason why people protested against the dissolution of the monasteries, e.g.  One reason that people protested against the dissolution was because of the economic impact it would bring. One of the main causes of the Pilgrimage of Grace uprising in 1536 was anger over unemployment because many people worked in the religious houses as servants and labourers. Abbeys and monasteries were also a vital part of the local community in the North where they were an important source of help for the poor. As a result, they protested because they believed the dissolution would leave them destitute.  Another reason was that people were angry about the destruction to monastic buildings and traditions. People objected to the abbeys being ransacked and torn down, to the removal of precious items, and to the banning of holy days. The lead roofs were seized and sometimes buildings burned down to make it easier to take them. This was one of the sparks for the Lincolnshire Rising as the people of Louth were fearful that their church jewels and spire were about to be confiscated. So some people rose up to protect their treasured buildings.  [Note: candidates may choose to focus on causes of specific rebellion or argue in a more general sense as to why the dissolution was opposed: either approach is acceptable.]	Marks 9–10
	Nutshell: Two reasons identified and explained.	

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<ul> <li>Response demonstrates a range of accurate knowledge and understanding that is fully relevant to the question.</li> <li>This is used to develop a full explanation and analysis, using second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.</li> </ul>	Level 4 answers will typically explain one reason why people protested against the dissolution of the monasteries, e.g.  One reason that people protested against the dissolution was because of the economic impact it would bring. One of the main causes of the Pilgrimage of Grace uprising in 1536 was anger over unemployment because many people worked in the religious houses as servants and labourers. Abbeys and monasteries were also a vital part of the local community in the North where they were an important source of help for the poor. As a result, they protested because they believed the dissolution would leave them destitute.  Nutshell: One reason identified and explained.	7–8
<ul> <li>Level 3</li> <li>Response demonstrates accurate knowledge and understanding that is relevant to the question.</li> <li>This is linked to an analysis and explanation, using second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.</li> </ul>	Level 3 answers will typically identify valid reason(s) why the people protested against the dissolution of the monasteries, e.g.  The monasteries had provided help for the poor and sick.  In Louth, people were worried about the church spire.  Nutshell: One or more reasons identified but not explained.	5–6
Response demonstrates some knowledge and understanding that is relevant to the question.     This is used to attempt a basic explanation, using second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question	Level 2 answers will typically contain description of events that is linked to the issue in the question, e.g.  In 1536, people protested as part of the 'Pilgrimage of Grace' which was led by Robert Aske. There were over 10,000 rebels that marched to York. They restored monasteries as they marched. Henry rounded up Aske and his followers. Aske was hanged, drawn and quartered.  Nutshell: Description of relevant events without focusing on causation.	3–4
Response demonstrates basic knowledge that is relevant to the topic of the question.     There is an attempt at a very basic explanation of the issue in the question, which may be close to assertion. Second order historical concepts are not used explicitly, but some very basic understanding of these is apparent in the answer.	Level 1 answers will typically contain general points, e.g.  People were unhappy with the changes.  Nutshell: General points.	1–2
Level 0 No response or no response worthy of credit.		0

2. Study Sources A–C. 'Priests and churchmen were well respected during the 1520s.' How far do Sources A–C convince you that this statement is correct? Use the sources and your knowledge to explain your answer.

Assessment Objectives	AO3 (a and b): Analyse, evaluate and use sources (contemporary to the period) to make substantiated judgements in the context of historical events studied [10] AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. [5] AO2: Explain and analyse historical events and periods studied using second order historical concepts. [5]
Additional Guidance	Relevant and effective conclusions can be rewarded within the mark range at Levels 4/5. Answers can still reach Levels 4/5 without a conclusion.
	The 'Indicative content' is an example of historically valid content; any other historically valid content is acceptable and should be credited in line with the levels of response.
	The 'Indicative content' shown is not a full exemplar answer, but exemplifies the sophistication expected at each level.
	No reward can be given for wider knowledge of the period that remains unrelated to the topic in the question.

Levels	Indicative content	Marks
Level 5	Level 5 answers will typically explain how the sources support or contradict the statement based on valid	17–20
Response uses details from the source content and provenance, combined with historical context, in order to develop a	and relevant evaluation of two or more sources. Evaluation might consider why such factors such as the purpose, context, provenance or other features of the sources make the source convincing evidence for or against the statement, e.g.	a de la companya de l
<ul> <li>thorough analysis of each source.</li> <li>These analyses are then used to evaluate the sources, reaching a convincing and substantiated judgement in the context of the historical issue in the question.</li> </ul>	Source A does not convince me that this statement is correct. Shelton has asked his executors to find an 'honest priest of good reputation and name' to say prayers for his soul, which suggests that he thinks that it might be difficult to find a good priests because there are many bad ones. I think this is fairly typical of the time; we know that people like William Tyndale were also very critical of priests, accusing them of corruption and greed because of practices such as selling indulgences.	
<ul> <li>Response demonstrates a range of detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding that is fully relevant to the question.</li> <li>This is used to develop a full analysis and thorough, convincing explanation,</li> </ul>	[Alternatively, candidates might argue that the source supports the statement because Shelton believes there are good/honest priests out there. Candidates may also evaluate using contextual knowledge such as the way that ordinary people donated personal items like bed linen and wedding rings to the Church when they died.]	
using appropriate second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.	Source B partly convinces me that the statement is true. In the source, Thomas More is defending priests. He acknowledges that they receive lots of criticism, but he points out that this kind of behaviour is not widespread: 'But when we see just once an evil deed, we stare and tell all we can about it.' More himself clearly respects the priests, writing that English priests are the best in 'learning, in honesty, goodness and holiness.' However, I don't accept More's view because he was a senior member of the	

	Catholic Church who died defending it so his respect for priests is not typical.  [Alternatively, candidates may argue that the source contradicts the statement because it provides evidence of lack of respect for priests from other people.]  Source C does not convince me that the statement is correct. Hall discusses widespread discontent with the church from MPs, who said that priests 'were no longer true men of God'. The MPs complain about several things, including corruption and neglecting the poor. However, we can assume that Hall was part of the reform movement as he was close to Cromwell, so it is unlikely that his account is representative of the whole of parliament or the population at large.  Nutshell: Valid use of content of sources with valid evaluation of two or more sources NOTE: Answers which do not make valid use (content OR evaluation) of all three sources should not be awarded more than 18.	
<ul> <li>Response uses details from the source content and provenance, combined with historical context, in order to develop an analysis of each source.</li> <li>These analyses are then used to evaluate the sources, reaching a fully supported judgement in the context of the historical issue in the question.</li> <li>Response demonstrates a range of accurate knowledge and understanding that is fully relevant to the question.</li> <li>This is used to develop an analysis and good explanation, using appropriate second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.</li> </ul>	Level 4 answers will typically explain how the sources support or contradict the statement based on valid and relevant evaluation of at least one source and the content of the others. Evaluation might consider why such factors as purpose, context, provenance or other features of the sources make the source convincing evidence for or against the statement, e.g.  Source A does not convince me that this statement is correct. Shelton has asked his executors to find an 'honest priest of good reputation and name' to say prayers for his soul, which suggests that he thinks that it might be difficult to find a good priests because there are many bad ones. I think this is fairly typical of the time; we know that people like William Tyndale were also very critical of priests, accusing them of corruption and greed because of practices such as selling indulgences.  Source B partly convinces me that the statement is true. In the source, Thomas More is defending priests. He acknowledges that they receive lots of criticism, but he points out that this kind of behaviour is not widespread: 'But when we see just once an evil deed, we stare and tell all we can about it.' More himself clearly respects the priests, writing that English priests are the best in 'learning, in honesty, goodness and holiness.'  Source C does not convince me that the statement is correct. Hall discusses widespread discontent with the church from MPs, who said that priests 'were no longer true men of God'. The MPs complain about several things, including corruption and neglecting the poor.  Nutshell: Valid use of content of sources with valid evaluation of one source.	13–16

	NOTE: Answers which do not make valid use (content OR evaluation) of all three sources should not be awarded more than 14.	
<ul> <li>Response uses details from the source content and provenance, combined with historical context, in order to give a simple analysis of each source.</li> <li>These analyses are then used to evaluate the sources, reaching a partially supported judgement in the context of the historical issue in the question.</li> <li>Response demonstrates accurate knowledge and understanding that is relevant to the question.</li> <li>This is linked to an analysis and explanation, using appropriate second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.</li> </ul>	Level 3 answers will typically explain how each source supports or contradicts the statement based on the content of the sources, e.g.  Source A does not convince me that this statement is correct. Shelton has asked his executors to find an 'honest priest of good reputation and name' to say prayers for his soul, which suggests that he thinks that it might be difficult to find a good priests because there are many bad ones.  Source B partly convinces me that the statement is true. In the source, Thomas More is defending priests. He acknowledges that they receive lots of criticism, but he points out that this kind of behaviour is not widespread: 'But when we see just once an evil deed, we stare and tell all we can about it.' More himself clearly respects the priests, writing that English priests are the best in 'learning, in honesty, goodness and holiness.'  Source C does not convince me that the statement is correct. Hall discusses widespread discontent with the church from MPs, who said that priests 'were no longer true men of God'. The MPs complain about several things, including corruption and neglecting the poor.  Nutshell: Valid use of content of all three sources in relation to statement.	9–12
<ul> <li>Response selects details from the source content and/or provenance and/or historical context, in order to give a simple analysis of at least two of the sources.</li> <li>These analyses are then used to evaluate the sources and to make a judgement in the context of the historical issue in the question.</li> <li>Response demonstrates some knowledge and understanding that is relevant to the question.</li> <li>This is used to attempt a basic explanation of the issue in the question, with second order historical concepts used in a simplistic way.</li> </ul>	Level 2 answers will typically explain how one or two sources support or contradict the statement based on the content of the sources, e.g.  Source A does not convince me that this statement is correct. Shelton has asked his executors to find an 'honest priest of good fame and name' to say prayers for his soul, which suggests that he thinks that it might be difficult to find a good priests because there are many bad ones.  Nutshell: Valid use of content of one or two sources in relation to statement.  Alternatively, Level 2 answers will typically argue that one or more sources is (un)convincing on the basis of undeveloped / unsupported comments about purpose, provenance or context, e.g.  I don't think Source B convinces me because More was a strong Catholic defender. Source C is not convincing because Hall was a friend of Cromwell's.  Nutshell: Undeveloped evaluation based on simplistic comments on provenance / purpose / context.	5-8

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Level 1	Level 1 answers will typically identify (correctly) whether sources agree or disagree with statement OR use details from the source(s) without addressing the question OR demonstrate simple knowledge of the	1–4
<ul> <li>Response selects details from the source content and/or provenance of one of the sources.</li> <li>This is then used to make a basic judgement about the historical issue in the question.</li> <li>Response demonstrates basic knowledge that is relevant to the topic of the question.</li> <li>There is an attempt at a very basic explanation of the issue in the question, which may be close to assertion. Second order historical concepts are not used explicitly, but some very basic understanding of these is apparent in the answer.</li> </ul>	role of the Church or churchmen in the 1520s, e.g.  Sources A and C disagree with the statement but Source B agrees.  OR  England was a Catholic country in the 1520s. Priests' behaviour was sometimes criticised. People paid 10% of their earning to the Church in tithes.  Nutshell: Uses own knowledge and or sources but fails to address question.	
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Level 0  No response or no response worthy of credit.		(

### Castles: Form and Function c.1000-1750

3. Explain why Kenilworth Castle changed in the 1600s.

Assessment Objectives	AO1: Demonstr	rate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the periods studied. [5]	
	AO2: Explain a	nd analyse historical events and periods studied using second order historical concepts. [5]	
Additional Guidance	The 'Indicative content' is an example of historically valid content; any other historically valid content is acceptable and should be line with the levels of response.		
		content' shown is not a full exemplar answer, but exemplifies the sophistication expected at each level.	
Levels	No reward can	be given for wider knowledge of the period that remains unrelated to the topic in the question.  Indicative content	Marks
Level 5		Level 5 answers will typically contain two reasons for changes to the castle in 1600s explained, e.g.	9–10
<ul> <li>Response demonstrate detailed and accurate k understanding that is furthe question.</li> <li>This is used to develop explanation and thorouganalysis, using second concepts, of the issue in</li> </ul>	anowledge and ally relevant to a full gh, convincing order historical	One reason Kenilworth changed is because of the English Civil War. The castle was given up by the King in 1642 and it was taken over by Parliament. After the King was imprisoned at the end of the war Parliament was worried about uprisings and ordered that former Royalist castles should be slighted. Kenilworth was one of these as it had belonged to the royal family throughout the early 1600s. The slighting demolished the north-side of the great tower and parts of the outer curtain wall. It was never again going to be used as a defensive structure and main home of a great baron or the King.  Another reason it changed was because it was repurposed. The commander John Hawkesworth who had overseen the slighting was then given the castle estate because he and his men hadn't been paid for their work. He made himself a home by extending Leicester's Gatehouse, which was later turned into a farmhouse when he was evicted by Charles II. The rest of the estate was divided up into farms and both Hawkesworth and his men pillaged parts of the main castle for things like fireplaces, windows and other building materials for their own homes and had little interest in what was left. Because of this the castle became a roofless ruin quite quickly.  Nutshell: Explains two reasons for changes.	
Level 4			7–8
<ul> <li>Response demonstrate accurate knowledge an that is fully relevant to t</li> <li>This is used to develop explanation and analys</li> </ul>	d understanding he question. a full	Level 4 answers will typically contain one reason for changes to the castle in 1600s explained, e.g.  One reason Kenilworth changed is because of the English Civil War. The castle was given up by the King in 1642 and it was taken over by Parliament. After the King was imprisoned at the end of the war Parliament was worried about uprisings and ordered that former Royalist castles should be slighted. Kenilworth was one of these as it had belonged to the royal family throughout the early 1600s. The	

order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.	slighting demolished the north-side of the great tower and parts of the outer curtain wall. It was never again going to be used as a defensive structure and main home of a great baron or the King.	
	Nutshell: Explains reason for one change.	
Level 3	Level 3 answers will typically identify one or more reasons for changes to the castle in the 1600s, e.g.	5–6
<ul> <li>Response demonstrates accurate knowledge and understanding that is relevant to the question.</li> </ul>	It changed because it was slighted in the Civil War.  The castle was repurposed as a farm.	
<ul> <li>This is linked to an analysis and explanation, using second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.</li> </ul>	Nutshell: Identifies reasons for change(s).	
Response demonstrates some knowledge and understanding that is	Level 2 answers will typically contain description of events from the 1600s <b>OR</b> description of features of the castle/changes without identifying reasons, e.g.	3–4
<ul> <li>relevant to the question.</li> <li>This is used to attempt a basic explanation, using second order historical concepts, of the issue in the question.</li> </ul>	Parliament took over the castle in 1642 after the King and his men left. After they won the Civil War it was given to Colonel John Hawkesworth.  OR	
	Walls were knocked down. It became farms. OR	
	People farmed in the grounds of Kenilworth and used material from the castle to build houses.	
	Nutshell: Describes events.  NOTE: Descriptions of changes of ownership should be awarded at L2.	
Level 1	Level 1 answers will typically contain general points OR description of events from outside the period of the question, e.g.	1–2
<ul> <li>Response demonstrates basic knowledge that is relevant to the topic of the question.</li> <li>There is an attempt at a very basic explanation of the issue in the question, which may be close to assertion. Second order historical concepts are not used explicitly, but some very basic</li> </ul>	England had a civil war. The castle was ruined. At first the King owned it and stayed there.	

understanding of these is apparent in the answer.	Nutshell: General points or events outside 1600s.	
No response or no response worthy of credit.		0

4. Study Sources D and E. Which of these sources is more useful to a historian studying the history of Kenilworth Castle between 1100 and 1300?

Assessment Objectives	AO3 (a and b): A historical events	nalyse, evaluate and use sources (contemporary to the period) to make substantiated judgements in the context c studied [10]	of
Additional Guidance	line with the level The 'Indicative co	ontent' is an example of historically valid content; any other historically valid content is acceptable and should be content' shown is not a full exemplar answer, but exemplifies the sophistication expected at each level.  The given for wider knowledge of the period that remains unrelated to the topic in the question.	redited in
Levels		Indicative content	Marks
The response uses deta source content and provision sources combined with land knowledge and und site, in order to develop analysis of sources in reissue in the question.      These analyses are there evaluate both the source them and reaching a consubstantiated judgemen comparisons in relation.	renance for both historical context erstanding of the a thorough elation to the n used to les, comparing nvincing and t about these	Level 5 answers will typically make supported inferences from both sources to explain how they can be used as evidence of the role, impact, importance of the castle or possibly its significance in the wider events of the time, e.g.  Both sources are useful to historians studying the history of Kenilworth Castle between 1100 and 1300.  Source D is useful because it demonstrates the key role the castle played in the King dealing with the rebellion of 1258-66. The King was determined to defeat the rebels at Kenilworth who were holding out against him, so he brought the best available technology to the site, including the huge tower which contained 200 crossbowmen, and nine siege engines as well. He was also prepared to tax people heavily for this siege army, at a time when many barons had already just rebelled. In fact, the siege lasted six months as neither side would give in until eventually the castle starved, which shows just how strong the castle was.  On the other hand, Source E is also useful as evidence about Kenilworth. It shows very clearly why the siege engines were needed to enter the castle, as the walls and fortifications were so strong. The castle had already had decades of stone defences added by the time of John, due to its strategic location in the middle of the country and near to powerful barons King John added a range of new defences like outer bailey stone walls, and this new gatehouse in them next to the older one. Even after the slighting in the 1600s it did not completely fall down, as shown here.	9–10

	Nutshell: Supported valid inferences from both sources.	
<ul> <li>The response uses details from the source content and provenance for both sources combined with historical context and knowledge and understanding of the site, in order to develop an analysis of both sources in relation to the issue in the question.</li> <li>These analyses are then used to evaluate both the sources, comparing them and reaching a fully supported judgement them in relation to the question.</li> </ul>	Level 4 answers will typically make supported inferences from one source to explain how they can be used as evidence of the role, impact, importance of the castle or possibly its significance in the wider events of the time, e.g.  Source D is useful for several reasons. The source shows clearly the importance of Kenilworth castle between 1100 and 1300. The King went to considerable expense (£19,000 raised from taxes) for a new army to lay siege to the castle, because it was in the possession of the de Montfort family who had recently rebelled against him, taking other barons with them. The King was not prepared to let the family continue to resist him. After the death of the father Simon de Montfort at the Battle of Evesham, the son attempted to hold out against the King, so Henry III lay siege to the castle, clearly described here.  Nutshell: Supported valid inference from one source.  NOTE: Answers are likely to address both sources but only make one valid inference	7–8
The response uses some detail from the source content and provenance for both sources combined with historical context and some reference to the site, in order to give a simple analysis of both sources in relation to the issue in the question.	Level 3 answers will typically make valid unsupported inferences from one or both sources to identify ways in which they can be used as evidence of the role, impact, importance of the castle or possibly its significance in the wider events of the time, e.g.  Source D is useful because it shows us that the King thought this area was of strategic importance, so important he had to have it under his control.	5–6
These analyses are then used to evaluate the sources, comparing them and reaching a partially supported judgement about them in the context of the question.	Source E is useful because it shows the defences added during John's reign were very strong, strong enough to resist deliberate attempts to ruin it in the 1600s.  Alternatively Level 3 answers will typically argue the usefulness of the sources based on reliability of sources, e.g.  I think Source D is useful because it fits with what I know about Kenilworth. It was in the possession of the de Montfort family who had recently rebelled against the King, taking other barons with them. The King was not prepared to let the family continue to resist him, so after the death of the father Simon de Montfort, at the Battle of Evesham, the son attempted to hold out against the King, so Henry III lay siege to the castle.	
	Source E is also reliable because it shows things which I know to be true. For example it shows the parts of	

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	the walls which were strengthened with a gatehouse, Mortimer's Tower, added during John's reign.  Nutshell: Valid evaluation of (un)reliability of source(s).  NOTE: Mark at bottom of level if candidate argues sources are not useful.	
The response selects details from the source content and/or provenance and/or historical context, which may include reference to the site, in order to give a simple analysis of the sources.      These analyses are then used to evaluate the sources, comparing them in a basic way and making a judgement in the context of the issue in the question.	Level 2 answers will typically assert the value of extracts or details from the source(s), e.g.  Source E is useful because it shows you that the castle had a stone gatehouse. Source D is useful because it shows how the King prepared for a siege.  Nutshell: Asserts value of details / extracts.	3–4
The response selects details from the source(s).     The response includes a basic judgement about the sources that is linked to the issue in the question.	Level 1 answers will typically make unsupported assertions about the source type or provenance OR paraphrase/use details from the source(s) without addressing the question in a valid way, e.g.  Source D is more useful because it contains facts and figures. Source E is just a modern photograph.  Nutshell: Argument based on simplistic comments on provenance or source type OR paraphrasing without addressing usefulness.	1–2
Level 0  No response or no response worthy of credit.		0

Spelling, punctuation and grammar and the use of specialist terminology (SPaG) mark scheme

High performance 4–5 marks	<ul> <li>Learners spell and punctuate with consistent accuracy</li> <li>Learners use rules of grammar with effective control of meaning overall</li> <li>Learners use a wide range of specialist terms as appropriate</li> </ul>
Intermediate performance 2–3 marks	<ul> <li>Learners spell and punctuate with considerable accuracy</li> <li>Learners use rules of grammar with general control of meaning overall</li> <li>Learners use a good range of specialist terms as appropriate</li> </ul>
Threshold performance 1 mark	<ul> <li>Learners spell and punctuate with reasonable accuracy</li> <li>Learners use rules of grammar with some control of meaning and any errors do not significantly hinder meaning overall</li> <li>Learners use a limited range of specialist terms as appropriate</li> </ul>
No marks awarded 0 marks	<ul> <li>The learner writes nothing</li> <li>The learner's response does not relate to the question</li> <li>The learner's achievement in SPaG does not reach the threshold performance level, for example errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar severely hinder meaning</li> </ul>

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