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# AS Level History A

**Y251/01** Democracy and Dictatorships in Germany 1919–1963

**Tuesday 23 May 2017 – Afternoon**

**Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes**



**You must have:**

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet  
(OCR12 sent with general stationery)

## INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Answer either Question 1 or Question 2 in Section A, and Question 3 in Section B.
- Write your answer to each question on the Answer Booklet.
- Do **not** write in the barcodes.

## INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **50**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [ ].
- Quality of extended responses will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (\*).
- This document consists of **4** pages.

**SECTION A**

Answer **ONE** question.

**EITHER**

- 1\*** 'The Government of the Weimar Republic was never seriously threatened by opposition in the years 1919–1923.' How far do you agree? **[30]**

**OR**

- 2\*** How successful was the economy of the German Democratic Republic (GDR) in the years 1949–1963? **[30]**

**SECTION B**

- 3** Read the interpretation and then answer the question that follows:

'There was little evidence of a collapse of morale undermining the Nazi war effort [1939–1945], but there was increased grumbling ... at no time was there a popular threat to the regime.'

From: J. Hite and C. Hinton, *Weimar and Nazi Germany* (2000)

Evaluate the strengths and limitations of this interpretation, making reference to other interpretations that you have studied. **[20]**

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**

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