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Option B2: The reigns of King Richard I and  
King John, 1189–1216

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## General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

## How to award marks when level descriptions are used

### 1. Finding the right level

The first stage is to decide which level the answer should be placed in. To do this, use a 'best-fit' approach, deciding which level most closely describes the quality of the answer. Answers can display characteristics from more than one level, and where this happens markers must use the guidance below and their professional judgement to decide which level is most appropriate.

For example, one stronger passage at L4 would not by itself merit a L4 mark, but it might be evidence to support a high L3 mark, unless there are substantial weaknesses in other areas. Similarly, an answer that fits best in L3 but which has some characteristics of L2 might be placed at the bottom of L3. An answer displaying some characteristics of L3 and some of L1 might be placed in L2.

### 2. Finding a mark within a level

After a level has been decided on, the next stage is to decide on the mark within the level. The instructions below tell you how to reward responses within a level. However, where a level has specific guidance about how to place an answer within a level, always follow that guidance.

#### Levels containing two marks only

Start with the presumption that the work will be at the top of the level. Move down to the lower mark if the work only just meets the requirements of the level.

#### Levels containing three or more marks

Markers should be prepared to use the full range of marks available in a level and not restrict marks to the middle. Markers should start at the middle of the level (or the upper-middle mark if there is an even number of marks) and then move the mark up or down to find the best mark. To do this, they should take into account how far the answer meets the requirements of the level:

- If it meets the requirements *fully*, markers should be prepared to award full marks within the level. The top mark in the level is used for answers that are as good as can realistically be expected within that level
- If it only *barely* meets the requirements of the level, markers should consider awarding marks at the bottom of the level. The bottom mark in the level is used for answers that are the weakest that can be expected within that level
- The middle marks of the level are used for answers that have a *reasonable* match to the descriptor. This might represent a balance between some characteristics of the level that are fully met and others that are only barely met.

### Indicative content

Examiners are reminded that indicative content is provided as an illustration to markers of some of the material that may be offered by students. It does not show required content and alternatives should be credited where valid.

## B2: The reigns of King Richard and King John, 1189-1216

Question	
<b>1 (a)</b>	Describe <b>two</b> features of the Interdict.  <b>Target:</b> Knowledge of key features and characteristics of the period. <b>AO1:</b> 4 marks.
Marking instructions	
Award one mark for each valid feature identified up to a maximum of two features. The second mark should be awarded for supporting information. e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>The Interdict meant the ending of church services (1), such as marriages and baptisms (1).</i></li><li>• <i>Christian burials were forbidden (1), and some bodies were left in woods (1).</i></li><li>• <i>Many churchmen ignored the Interdict (1), and supported John against the Pope (1).</i></li></ul> Accept other appropriate features and supporting information.	

Question		
1 (b)		<p>Explain why John was able to secure his power when he became king.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>You <b>may</b> use the following in your answer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• claim to the throne</li> <li>• Eleanor of Aquitaine</li> </ul> <p>You <b>must</b> also use information of your own.</p> </div> <p><b>Target:</b> Analysis of second order concepts: causation [AO2];  Knowledge and understanding of features and characteristics [AO1].  <b>AO2:</b> 6 marks.  <b>AO1:</b> 6 marks.</p>
Level	Mark	Descriptor
	0	No rewardable material.
1	1-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A simple or generalised answer is given, lacking development and organisation. [AO2]</li> <li>• Limited knowledge and understanding of the topic is shown. [AO1]</li> </ul>
2	4-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An explanation is given showing limited analysis and with implicit or unsustainable links to the conceptual focus of the question. It shows some development and organisation of material, but a line of reasoning is not sustained. [AO2]</li> <li>• Accurate and relevant information is included, showing some knowledge and understanding of the period. [AO1]</li> </ul> <p><i>Maximum 5 marks for Level 2 answers that do not go beyond aspects prompted by the stimulus points.</i></p>
3	7-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An explanation is given, showing some analysis, which is mainly directed at the conceptual focus of the question. It shows a line of reasoning that is generally sustained, although some passages may lack coherence and organisation. [AO2]</li> <li>• Accurate and relevant information is included, showing good knowledge and understanding of the required features or characteristics of the period studied. [AO1]</li> </ul> <p><i>Maximum 8 marks for Level 3 answers that do not go beyond aspects prompted by the stimulus points.</i></p>
4	10-12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An analytical explanation is given which is directed consistently at the conceptual focus of the question, showing a line of reasoning that is coherent, sustained and logically structured. [AO2]</li> <li>• Accurate and relevant information is precisely selected to address the question directly, showing wide-ranging knowledge and understanding of the required features or characteristics of the period studied. [AO1]</li> </ul> <p><i>No access to Level 4 for answers that do not go beyond aspects prompted by the stimulus points.</i></p>

### **Marking instructions**

Markers must apply the descriptors above in line with the general marking guidance (page 3).

Performance in AO1 and AO2 is interdependent. An answer displaying **no** qualities of AO2 cannot be awarded more than the top of Level 1, no matter how strong performance is in AO1; markers should note that the expectation for AO1 is that candidates demonstrate both knowledge *and* understanding.

The middle mark in each level may be achieved by stronger performance in either AO1 or AO2.

### **Indicative content guidance**

Answers must be credited according to candidates' deployment of material in relation to the qualities outlined in the mark scheme. While specific references are made in the indicative content below, this does not imply that these must be included; other relevant material must also be credited.

Relevant points may include:

- John's claim to the throne helped secure his position because Richard had named him as preferred successor and, when Richard died in 1199, John had support from both English and Norman barons.
- John's mother, Eleanor of Aquitaine, was very influential in politics and her support enabled John to secure his throne.
- John had various qualities required for a strong king; he was 31 years old and had proved himself as a warrior fighting against the French. The other claimant to the throne, Arthur, was 12 at the time.
- John benefited from trusted barons protecting England's border with Scotland and running the government.
- In May 1200, John was able to further strengthen his position as ruler by securing two years of peace with Philip of France by signing the Treaty of Le Goulet.
- Early in his reign, John secured his position in the country by keeping continuity with advisors that had worked with Richard, moving around the country, attending court cases and talking to sheriffs.

Question		
1 (c)(i)		<p>'The main consequence of the Third Crusade was the financial burden on England.' How far do you agree? Explain your answer.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>You <b>may</b> use the following in your answer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ransom</li> <li>• Richard's brother, John</li> </ul> <p>You <b>must</b> also use information of your own.</p> </div> <p><b>Target:</b> Analysis and evaluation of second order concepts: consequence [AO2]; Knowledge and understanding of features and characteristics [AO1].  <b>AO2:</b> 10 marks.  <b>AO1:</b> 6 marks.</p>
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	0	No rewardable material.
1	1-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A simple or generalised answer is given, lacking development and organisation. [AO2]</li> <li>• Limited knowledge and understanding of the topic is shown. [AO1]</li> <li>• The overall judgement is missing or asserted. [AO2]</li> </ul>
2	5-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An explanation is given showing limited analysis and with implicit or unsustainable links to the conceptual focus of the question. It shows some development and organisation of material, but a line of reasoning is not sustained. [AO2]</li> <li>• Accurate and relevant information is included, showing some knowledge and understanding of the period. [AO1]</li> <li>• The overall judgement is given but its justification is asserted or insecure. [AO2]</li> </ul> <p><i>Maximum 7 marks for Level 2 answers that do not go beyond aspects prompted by the stimulus points.</i></p>
3	9-12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An explanation is given, showing some analysis, which is mainly directed at the conceptual focus of the question. It shows a line of reasoning that is generally sustained, although some passages may lack coherence and organisation. [AO2]</li> <li>• Accurate and relevant information is included, showing good knowledge and understanding of the required features or characteristics of the period studied. [AO1]</li> <li>• The overall judgement is given with some justification, but some criteria selected for the required judgement are left implicit or not validly applied. [AO2]</li> </ul> <p><i>Maximum 11 marks for Level 3 answers that do not go beyond aspects prompted by the stimulus points.</i></p>
4	13-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An analytical explanation is given which is directed consistently at the conceptual focus of the question, showing a line of reasoning that is coherent, sustained and logically structured. [AO2]</li> <li>• Accurate and relevant information is precisely selected to address the question directly, showing wide-ranging knowledge and understanding of the required features or characteristics of the period studied. [AO1]</li> <li>• Criteria for the required judgement are justified and applied in the process of reaching the overall judgement. [AO2]</li> </ul> <p><i>No access to Level 4 for answers that do not go beyond aspects prompted by the stimulus points.</i></p>



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Relevant points which support the statement may include:

- The huge ransom demanded for Richard's release was a massive financial burden that placed demands on the entire population, with extra taxes on income and property introduced.
- The Third Crusade had also included the collection of a heavy crusading tax, known as the Saladin tithe, to fund the costs of raising and supplying the army.
- The Third Crusade, having placed a large financial burden on government finances, meant that some individuals, who had previously bought offices, had to buy them again.

Relevant points which counter the statement may include:

- Richard's capture was seized upon by John as an opportunity to take control of the Angevin Empire and make himself king, claiming the kingdom for himself and stating that Richard was dead.
- As a consequence of Philip II's rivalry with Richard during the Crusade, Philip seized the opportunity to attack Richard's land in France.
- Some of the lords of Aquitaine were encouraged by Richard's absence to support Philip II.
- The stability of England's government was demonstrated by its ability to collect the money demanded by the ransom.

Question		
1 (c)(ii)		<p>'John's failure to regain Normandy in 1214 was the main reason for the rebellion of 1215.' How far do you agree? Explain your answer.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>You <b>may</b> use the following in your answer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the Battle of Bouvines</li> <li>• arbitrary power</li> </ul> <p>You <b>must</b> also use information of your own.</p> </div> <p><b>Target:</b> Analysis and evaluation of second order concepts: causation [AO2]; Knowledge and understanding of features and characteristics [AO1].  <b>AO2:</b> 10 marks.  <b>AO1:</b> 6 marks.</p>
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- The failure to regain Normandy, with the decisive defeat at Bouvines, put barons in a more rebellious mood and resentful towards John at their loss of land.
- John's failure to regain Normandy angered many barons as they had funded the conflict with the largest scutage ever yet raised, which now seemed wasted.
- John's inability to regain Normandy meant that he was criticised widely as a 'softsword', damaging his reputation as a warrior-king.
- The loss of Normandy meant that many barons now had divided loyalties, owing fealty to both John and Philip II.

Relevant points which counter the statement may include:

- The arbitrary way John had used his power caused resentment from the barons, with John applying the law at his own whim.
- After the failure of the plot of 1212, there was continued resentment towards John from the Welsh prince, Llewellyn, and his supporters.
- In late 1214, John angered the barons by stalling them several times in their attempts to force him to confirm the Coronation Charter.
- In 1215, many barons still resented having had to decide between allegiance to the king or to the Pope during the time of John's excommunication.