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# AS Level History A

## Y244/01 France 1814–1870

**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\*** 'Economic problems were the most important reason for the overthrow of Louis Philippe.' How far do you agree? **[30]**

**OR**

- 2\*** How far did Napoleon III achieve his foreign policy aims? **[30]**

**SECTION B**

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

'Throughout his time in power, Napoleon III presided over a regime which, however much it evolved, was characterized by continuity. He ruled neither as a reactionary nor a liberal.'

James McMillan, *Idealist or Opportunist? Reassessing Napoleon III, Europe 1815–70* (1994)

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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