



## **Sixth Form Scholarship Examination**

### **History**

**Time allowed:** 1 hour 30 minutes

**Instructions:**

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1. Compare and contrast the lives of two great individuals that you have studied.

*Be sure to make reference to both their achievements and failures.*

2. 'War, war, that's all you think about Dick Plantaganet' (...from '1066 and all that' by Sellar and Yeatman) - Why do so many wars happen?

*Answer this question with reference to any wars that you have studied. You do not need knowledge of the book.*

3. Fewer and fewer people study History. What reasons can you think of why we should study the past?

4. 'The camera never lies'. Do you agree with this view on the reliability of photographs and/or films as sources of evidence?

*Be sure to make reference to any sources or films that you have studied. You will not be penalised if you only refer to one of either photographs or films.*

5. 'I want facts, facts alone are wanted in life' (...from Mr Gradgrind in 'Hard Times' by Charles Dickens). Was Mr Gradgrind right?

*Be sure to explain your answer. You do not need any knowledge of this book.*

6. To what extent is the study of local History important? (if at all).

*You do not need specific knowledge of any one locality.*