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**Wednesday 10 June 2020 – Morning**

**A Level History A**

**Y204/01** Genghis Khan and the Explosion from the Steppes  
c.1167–1405

**Time allowed: 1 hour**



**You must have:**

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Choose **one** question and answer **all** the parts of that question.

**INFORMATION**

- The total mark for this paper is **30**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [ ].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (\*).
- This document has **2** pages.

**ADVICE**

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

Answer **EITHER** all of Question 1 **OR** all of Question 2.

1 (a) Which of the following was the more serious problem for Khubilai Khan?

(i) The Empire's finances

(ii) The failure of foreign expeditions in the 1280s and 1290s

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]

(b)\* How important were postal stations in the development of the Silk Road? [20]

**OR**

2 (a) Which of the following did Mongol invasions have the most impact upon?

(i) Christian culture

(ii) Muslim culture

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]

(b)\* 'Genghis Khan's leadership was the most important reason for the success of the Mongol invasions in the period from 1206 until his death in 1227.' How far do you agree? [20]

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**

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