



MAGDALEN COLLEGE SCHOOL

16+ Entrance Exam: **History**

Time allowed: 45 minutes

Name:

Current school:

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- Answer **one** question in the space provided – there may be more space than you need.

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 20.

Advice

- Read the question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Write your answers neatly and in good English.
- Check your answer if you have time at the end.

Total _____ /20 _____ %

Answer EITHER

‘Imagination is chief among the qualities needed by the historian’. To what extent do you agree with this view? Develop your answer by specific reference to your own historical reading and study. [20 marks]

OR

‘History shows that empires benefit neither rulers nor ruled’. How far do you agree with this view? Develop your answer by specific reference to any historical period or periods you have studied. [20 marks]