



AET1 and AEP2
Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Tripos, Part IB and Preliminary Part II

Monday 03 June 2019 9 to 12.00 pm

Paper C7

History of dynastic China

*Candidates should answer **three** questions, **one** from each section (A, B and C). All questions carry **equal** marks.*

*Write your number **not** your name on the cover sheet of **each** answer booklet.*

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS

*20 page answer booklet
Rough Work Pad*

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS TO BE SUPPLIED FOR THIS EXAMINATION

None

You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed to do so.

Section A.

1. What do you regard as the most important change that allowed for the formation of the first empires and why?
2. Were the conquest dynasties important to Chinese history? Explain.
3. Do you agree or disagree with the statement that the imperial enterprise is what ties all Chinese dynasties together? Justify your answer.

Section B.

1. How did the Qin and Han empires contribute to the imperial enterprise?
2. How did Chinese history change after the rise of the Tang?
3. Were Ming scholars the most important element of Chinese history? Explain your answer.

Section C.

1. How did the imperial enterprise change after the rise of the Jin?
2. What is "scholar culture" and why is it important to Chinese history?
3. Does China have a history? Discuss.

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