

# GCSE HISTORY

Paper 2 Section B/A: Norman England, c1066–c1100

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## Interpretations Booklet

**Interpretation A** for use in answering Question 01



**Interpretation A** An interpretation of what happened after the death of Edward the Confessor.

Adapted from '1066 – the Year of the Conquest' by David Howarth, 1977.

Edward the Confessor's funeral was hurriedly held on the day after he died. Harold was crowned later that very same day. The Witan's second choice had been Edgar and they would not even consider Duke William becoming King of England. William was shocked by this. He had believed for many years that he was the heir to the English throne. As his power rested on his reputation for strength he could not back down and risk being laughed at. William's pride now forced him into a dangerous invasion that he could never have wanted.

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Time allowed: 1 hour

## Materials

For this paper you **must** ensure you have:

- An Interpretations Booklet (enclosed).

## Instructions

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Study **Interpretation A** in the Interpretations Booklet.

How convincing is **Interpretation A** about what happened after the death of Edward the Confessor?

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**[8 marks]**

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Write an account of the ways in which the lives of English villagers were affected by the Norman Conquest.

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