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HISTORY

Course HI244: **BRITISH HISTORY, 1450-1603**

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Time allowed: **TWO** hours
Answer **THREE** questions

1. Assess the role of Ireland in the Wars of the Roses, 1450-95.
2. How did Henry VII ensure that there was no recommencement of the Wars of the Roses after his death?
3. 'The real measure of the effectiveness of early Tudor government was the establishment of "good rule" in the borderlands, not strong government in lowland England.' Discuss.
4. How successful was the so-called Welsh Act of Union in tackling the problems of Tudor rule in Wales?
5. Discuss the methods by which the Tudors secured the enforcement of the Reformation in lowland English parishes, 1529-53.
6. Assess the causes of the Pilgrimage of Grace.
7. Discuss the main changes in either a) English or b) Irish senses of identity in the 16th century. How do you explain these changes?
8. How far did the events of the years 1558-60 mark the emergence of a British state system?
9. Assess the main differences between the progress of the Reformation in England and Scotland to 1603.
10. Assess the impact of the Reformation on relations between Gaelic Ulster and the Western Isles.
11. Were the causes of the Crisis of the 1590s in the Tudor state chiefly socio-economic or political?

12. Assess the achievements of King James VI of Scotland to 1603.