3.5 Early Elizabethan England, 1568-88: Relations with Spain and the Armada: 10-minute Pack

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Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer ALL questions. You are advised to spend about 10 minutes on this pack.

1 Give the year the Spanish Armada sailed against England.

(Total for Question 1 is 1 mark)

2 Name the English commander given overall command of the fleet that faced the Armada in the Channel in 1588.

(Total for Question 2 is 1 mark)

3 Name the tactic used by the English fleet on the night of 7-8 August 1588 to break up the Armada's defensive formation while it was anchored off Calais.

(Total for Question 3 is 1 mark)

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4 State two reasons for the Armada's defeat in 1588.

(Total for Question 4 is 2 marks)

5 Describe two features of the plan behind the 1588 Spanish Armada.

(Total for Question 5 is 4 marks)

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Question 1

1588 **B1**

Answer: 1588

Question 2

Lord Howard of Effingham (Charles Howard) **B1**

Answer: Lord Howard of Effingham

Question 3

fireships **B1**

Answer: Fireships

Question 4

English ships were generally faster, more manoeuvrable and had longer-range guns than the heavier Spanish galleons **B1**

the Armada failed to link up successfully with the Duke of Parma's army in the Netherlands, and was then scattered by fireships and severe storms on its long return voyage around Scotland and Ireland **B1**

Answer: Superior English ships and tactics, and the failure to link up with Parma's army, followed by storms.

Question 5

feature 1 identified, e.g. the Armada, around 130 ships, was to sail up the English Channel **B1**

supporting detail for feature 1, e.g. its aim was to gain control of the Channel and provide a safe route across it **B1**

feature 2 identified, e.g. it was to link up with the Duke of Parma's army waiting in the Spanish Netherlands **B1**

supporting detail for feature 2, e.g. Parma's experienced troops would then be escorted across the Channel by the Armada's ships to invade England **B1**

Answer: Any two features, e.g. sailing up the Channel to gain control of it, and linking up with Parma's invasion army.

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