



GCSE HISTORY

Paper 2B/D: Restoration England, 1660–1685

Interpretations Booklet

Interpretation A for use in answering Question 01

Interpretation A An interpretation of the growth in power of the East India Company.

Adapted from an article by Bruce Lenman, in 'History Today', 1987.

Charles II's restoration began a period of growth for the Company, bringing it prosperity, glory and war against the Dutch. It concentrated on India through heavily-fortified ports over which it had complete control. Its decision to keep infantry at its new headquarters at Bombay was an indirect challenge to Moghul authority and the power of local rulers was undermined. With Bombay already fortified, the new flashpoint would be elsewhere.

END OF INTERPRETATIONS

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