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SECTION A

Answer **ONE** question.

EITHER

- 1*** 'Konstantin Pobedonostsev was the most influential person in Russia in the years from 1894 to 1914.' How far do you agree? **[30]**

OR

- 2*** To what extent was the Kornilov Revolt the most important reason why the Bolsheviks were in a strong position to seize power by November 1917? **[30]**

SECTION B

- 3** Read the interpretation and then answer the question that follows:

‘The true test of Lenin’s leadership came in the years from 1918 to 1921. Lenin was able to overcome all the challenges he faced in this period.’

From: A. Ascher, *Russia: a Short History*, published in 2009

Evaluate the strengths and limitations of this interpretation, making reference to other interpretations that you have studied. **[20]**

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