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HISTORY

Paper 2 Section A/A:

**Britain: Health and the people: c1000 to
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**SOURCE A for use in answering
Question 01**

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SOURCE A

A cartoon drawn by Thomas Rowlandson in 1793 showing a patient having a leg amputated.

Thomas Rowlandson was a famous cartoonist who earned a living by publishing his work in magazines. He knew the surgeon, John Hunter, and his work.

The image on the opposite page shows a terrified man having his leg amputated with a saw, surrounded by six well-dressed men. One of the men is holding a crutch. On the left side of the image there is a sign that says “The Surgery”. On the right side of the image there is another sign that says “Qualified surgeons. Samuel Sawbones, Paul Purge, Launcelot Slashmuscle, and Abraham Abscess”. There is a bag of surgical tools on the floor. There are skeletons and a human body in the background.

The Surgery

Qualified surgeons

Samuel Sawbone Paul Purge
Launcelot Slashmuscle Abraham Abscess



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