**Question 4(a) – Describe two key features**

Describe two key features of the social system of Anglo-Saxon England (4 marks)

* Changing social status
* Peasants

Describe two key features of the Anglo-Saxon monarchy (4 marks)

* Witan
* Challenge by earls

Describe two key features of earldoms in Anglo-Saxon England (4 marks)

* Local government
* Shire Reeve

Describe two key features of the Anglo-Saxon legal system (4 marks)

* Trial by ordeal
* Collective responsibility

Describe two key features of the Anglo-Saxon church (4 marks)

* Witan
* Bishops

Describe two key features of Tostig’s rule of Northumbria (4 marks)

* Heavy taxation
* Assassination

Describe two key features of the 1066 succession crisis (4 marks)

* Edward’s death
* William and Harold’s claim to the throne

Describe two key features of William’s knights at Hastings (4 marks)

* Weaponry
* Horses

Describe two key features of Harold’s housecarls at Hastings (4 marks)

* Weaponry
* Shield wall

Describe two key features of the Marcher earldoms (4 marks)

* Special privileges
* Castle building

Describe two key features of the rebellion at Ely (4 marks)

* Danish and Hereward the Wake
* The attack on Peterborough

Describe two key features of the Harrying of the North (4 marks)

* Burning of homes
* Destruction of seeds and crops

Describe two key features of Anglo-Saxon land loss (4 marks)

* Forfeit
* Land grabs (Odo and Fitzobern)

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