

## Exemplar response 2

3 Explain one way in which people's reactions to the plague in Britain were similar in the fourteenth and seventeenth centuries.

In both the fourteenth and seventeenth centuries people's reactions to the plague were similar in many ways. One of the main ways people's reactions were similar was that they both believed it was due to God's punishment. They both fasted and used prayer. This shows a similarity between the two era's as it shows that during these time periods both sets of medical knowledge were dominated by the church. Overall this also shows a lack of progress of medicine as from the C14<sup>th</sup> medical ideas and reactions had not progressed or moved forward.

### Examiner's commentary

This is a high Level 2 response. It identifies a similarity and analyses the similarity by showing how the reactions were similar and linking to the Church (AO2). Specific information about the reaction is shown in support (AO1).