

General Certificate of Education
Advanced Level Examination



CITIZENSHIP STUDIES Unit 3 Power and Justice

CIST3

Specimen paper for examinations in June 2010 onwards
This question paper uses the [new numbering system](#) and [new AQA answer book](#)

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 8-page answer book

Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Examining Body** for this paper is AQA. The **Paper Reference** is CIST3.
- Answer **four** questions.
In Section A, answer Questions

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In Section B, answer Questions

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- Do all rough work in the answer book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - to organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Advice

- You are advised to read through the examination paper before you attempt the questions.
- You are advised to spend the same amount of time on each pair of questions.

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Section A Crime, Justice and Punishment

In this Section, answer Questions **0 1** and **0 2** or Questions **0 3** and **0 4**
or Questions **0 5** and **0 6** .

This Section carries 40 marks.

0 1 Briefly explain the role of the police and Crown Prosecution Service in the decision to prosecute an alleged offender. *(15 marks)*

0 2 Critically assess the effectiveness of the punishments available to the courts in achieving their objectives. *(25 marks)*

OR

0 3 Briefly explain the system by which judges are appointed in England and Wales. *(15 marks)*

0 4 'The principle of bringing final appeals to the House of Lords has served the legal system well for centuries. There is no need to reform it now.' Critically assess this view. *(25 marks)*

OR

0 5 Briefly explain the role of the Criminal Defence Service. *(15 marks)*

0 6 Critically assess the role of the Criminal Cases Review Commission in preventing miscarriages of justice. *(25 marks)*

Section B Politics, Power and Participation

In this Section, answer Questions **0 7** and **0 8** or Questions **0 9** and **1 0**
or Questions **1 1** and **1 2** .

This Section carries 40 marks.

- 0 7** Briefly examine the points made by those who argue that prime ministers are becoming more presidential. *(15 marks)*
- 0 8** Assess the extent to which parliament and citizens can hold government to account. *(25 marks)*
- OR**
- 0 9** Briefly outline the case for retaining the 'first past the post' voting system for electing Members of Parliament. *(15 marks)*
- 1 0** Assess the impact upon the nature of UK Politics of allowing groups of citizens to put forward issues to be decided by referendum. *(25 marks)*
- OR**
- 1 1** Briefly compare the powers of the UK parliament and the powers of the EU parliament. *(15 marks)*
- 1 2** Critically assess the view that there are currently no ideological differences between the major UK political parties. *(25 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS

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