

General Certificate of Education
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Advanced Level Examination



GENERAL STUDIES (SPECIFICATION B)
Unit 5 Power–Regulation

GSB5

Thursday 25 January 2007 1.30 pm to 2.45 pm

For this paper you must have:

- an 8-page answer book.

Time allowed: 1 hour 15 minutes

Instructions

- Use blue or black ink or 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 GSB5.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work you do not want marked.

Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 60.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- You will be marked on your ability to use good English, to organise information clearly and to use specialist vocabulary where appropriate. All questions should be answered in continuous prose.

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Answer **all** questions.

You are advised to use examples to illustrate your answers where appropriate.

- 1 How far is it possible to claim that technology has succeeded in having a positive impact on our working lives? *(12 marks)*



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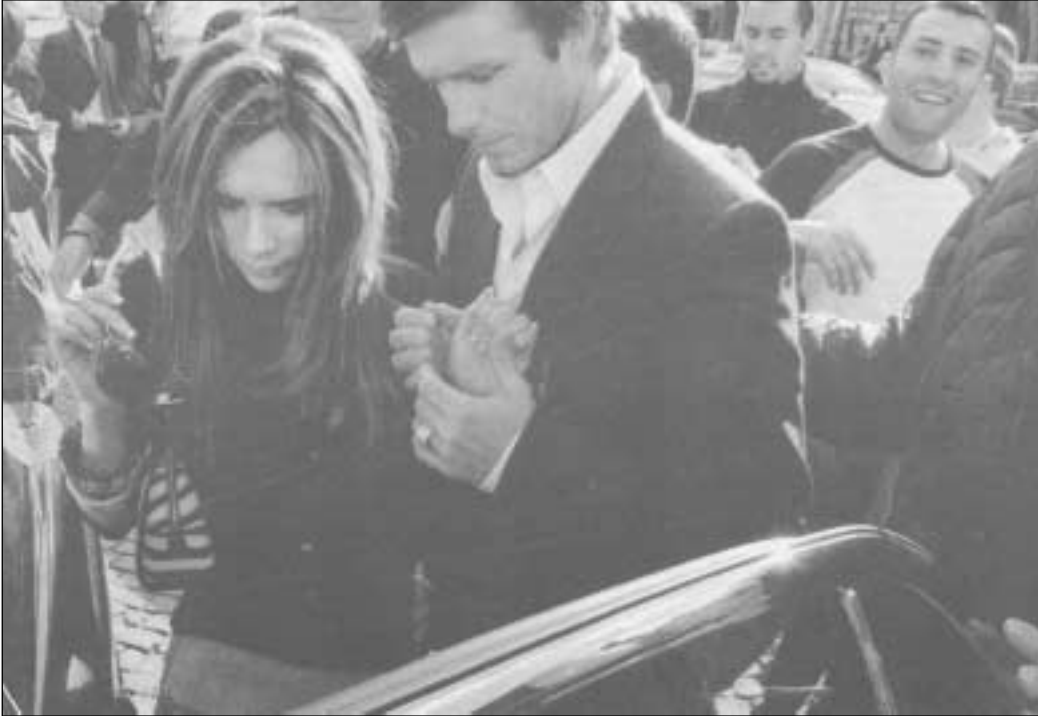
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3 ‘Celebrities have the same rights to privacy as anyone else.’

To what extent do you accept this assertion?

(12 marks)



Source: *The Guardian*, 2 May 2005

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- 4 How far do you agree with the view that we are a 'must-have' consumer society today in the UK? (12 marks)

Every year... there's always talk of what'll be the hottest gift this Christmas. Remember Buzz Lightyear and Robosapien? To try to give you help on what family and friends will want this festive season, we have put together our top 5 products for Christmas. These are the sexiest, best looking, top-speded products around, and you'll sure make someone's Christmas if you get them one off this list!



iPod Nano
iPods continue to be the coolest MP3 player's around, with the Nano continuing the tradition - stunning!
...see page 12

Tom Tom GO
Satellite navigation has really taken off this year with the models from Tom Tom being some of the best specified and easiest to use around.
...see page 33

Sony PSP
The present to get this year! The PSP boasts PS2 quality graphics all in the palm of your hand. Get in early though, as they are flying out the door!
...see page 48

Pentax Optio S6
This latest digital camera from Pentax takes fantastic pictures, is small enough to fit unobtrusively in your pocket and is a breeze to use.
...see page 40

LCD TV
LCD TVs have now got to a price where they are feasible as gifts, look stunning and save all important bedroom space, ideal for Christmas.
...see page 23

Source: Dixons, December 2005

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