

General Certificate of Education  
June 2008  
Advanced Subsidiary Examination



**GENERAL STUDIES (SPECIFICATION B)**  
**Unit 1 Conflict**

**GSB1**

Monday 12 May 2008 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 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 GSB1.
- Answer **four** questions.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

**Information**

- The maximum mark for this paper is 60.
- There are 15 marks for each question.
- You will be marked on your ability to use good English, to organise information clearly and to use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

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Answer **four** questions.

Write your answers in continuous prose.

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

There are 15 marks for each question.

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1 To what extent does improved weapons technology make war more likely?

2 ‘More television channels must lead to lower quality.’

How far do you agree with this viewpoint?

3 ‘We are living longer; therefore, we should work until later in life.’ Discuss.

4 How far is the family to blame for young people’s problems?

5 ‘Stereotyping is inevitable.’

To what extent does this mean that we should do nothing about it?

6 How important is it that the performance of public organisations, such as schools and hospitals, is measured in ‘league tables’?

**END OF QUESTIONS**