General Certificate of Education June 2008 Advanced Level Examination



GENERAL STUDIES (SPECIFICATION B) Unit 5 Power–Regulation

GSB5

Thursday 5 June 2008 9.00 am to 10.15 am

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 GSB5.
- Answer all questions.
- Do all rough work in the answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be 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 do you believe that using solar panels for energy purposes can make a significant difference to our environment? (12 marks)

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2 To what extent do pressure groups represent the views of the general public?

(12 marks)

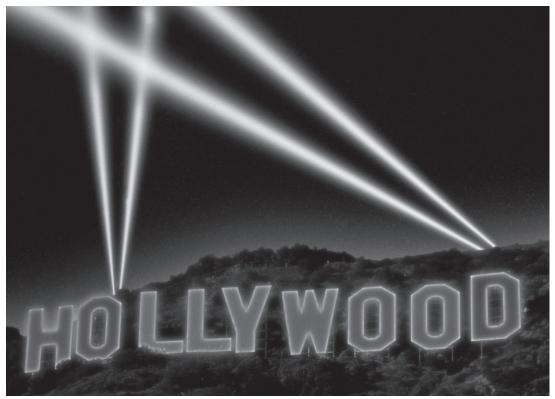
Pressure groups, such as *Friends of the Earth* and *Amnesty International*, are organised groups that seek to influence government or public policy or protect or advance a particular cause or interest. Groups may promote a specific issue and raise it up the political agenda or they may have more general political and ideological objectives in mind when they campaign.

Source: www.tutor2u.net

Turn over for the next question

3 How far should we be concerned about Hollywood's domination of the film industry?

(12 marks)



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4 'We learn to be good citizens by following positive role models.'

How far do you believe this viewpoint to be valid?

(12 marks)

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Source: The Inland Waterways Association, www.waterways.org.uk, 2007

Turn over for the next question

5 'A shopping revolution is taking place in the way in which we purchase goods and services.'

How far do you agree with this assertion?

(12 marks)



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