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Paper 2

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You are required to answer **one** question.

This Insert contains three passages, one for each of Questions 1 to 3. You need to study the passage for the question you have chosen before starting your answer. The time needed to do this is allowed for within the time set for the examination.



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Passage 1 Study the material below to answer Question 1 parts (a)–(d).

Anya, a pupil from Geelah, has just received offers from four universities for next year. She now has to decide which offer will be her first choice university. The following information is relevant to her decision:

A. Banrock University	B.A. Joint Honours (History & English)
Required A-Level grades	A* English Literature; A* History; A Philosophy
Tuition fees	\$22 500 per annum
Accommodation costs	\$15 000 for 33 weeks (term lasts 30 weeks)
Location of accommodation	3 km from the campus
Travel options	Bus (no student pass, so \$12.50 day return ticket)
Number of teaching hours per week	12
Qualification of lecturers	All qualified, no tuition by post-graduate students
Size of classes	Maximum 18
Position of course in university league tables	2nd out of 30

B. The University of Candoo	B.A. Honours in Mediaeval History
Required A-Level grades	B English Literature; B History; C Philosophy
Tuition fees	\$15 000 per annum
Accommodation costs	\$7 500 for 48 weeks (term lasts 30 weeks)
Location of accommodation	4 km from the campus
Travel options	University subsidised mini-bus (\$250 per term)
Number of teaching hours per week	20
Qualification of lecturers	Delivered equally by lecturers & post-graduates
Size of classes	Maximum 16
Position of course in university league tables	29th out of 30

C. Endsor University	B.A. Joint Honours (History & English)
Required A-Level grades	A English Literature; A History; B Philosophy
Tuition fees	\$20 000 per annum
Accommodation costs	\$12 500 for 50 weeks (term lasts 30 weeks)
Location of accommodation	2 km from the campus
Travel options	No public transport
Number of teaching hours per week	14
Qualification of lecturers	All fully qualified lecturers
Size of classes	Maximum 16
Position of course in university league tables	11th out of 30

D. University of Frassi	B.A. Honours in History (Mediaeval & Modern)
Required A-Level grades	B English Literature; B History; B Philosophy
Tuition fees	\$17 500 per annum
Accommodation costs	\$12 500 for 45 weeks (term lasts 30 weeks)
Location of accommodation	3 km from the campus
Travel options	Bus, train and tram (student pass – \$1250 a year)
Number of teaching hours per week	18
Qualification of lecturers	Mostly lecturers, occasional post-graduate students
Size of classes	Maximum 16
Position of course in university league tables	20th out of 30

- 1 Anya is passionate about all aspects of history, but most especially Mediaeval History – the kings and queens of the Middle Ages fascinate her.
- 2 She has been a volunteer guide for six months at a museum.
- 3 She can afford a loan of only \$100 000 for the three-year course.
- 4 She loves going on extended bike rides and taking the family dogs for long walks in the country.
- 5 Her parents have some savings and worry about her getting into too much debt.
- 6 Banrock is 20 km from Geelah; Candoo, 125 km; Endsor, 50 km and Frassi, 75 km.
- 7 She has a Saturday job with a nationwide chain of pharmacies and can transfer to another branch.
- 8 She is diligent but lacks confidence, so she likes to build up close relationships with her teachers and classmates.
- 9 Her teachers think that she has the potential to achieve the top A-Level grades.
- 10 She has received awards for her charity work locally.
- 11 She is a music reviewer for a local newspaper and is considering becoming a music journalist.
- 12 She has read that job prospects are better for English graduates than for other Arts and Humanities subjects.
- 13 She knows that employers are aware of which universities have a good academic reputation.
- 14 She suffers from nausea when travelling in cars and buses, but not on other modes of transport.
- 15 She is already worried about leaving her family and friends, but is determined to live away from home to gain the full university experience.

Passage 2 Study the information below to answer Question 2 parts (a)–(g).

Brownsville is about to hold its local council elections. Recently, the town hit the headlines owing to some councillors being sacked for corruption. It is a picturesque, historic market town which used to be more popular with tourists when the steam railway was running. It is isolated so relies on oil for fuel, has limited job opportunities, is in decline economically and is losing many young adults to bigger towns.

There are three candidates:

A Henry Karoo (Caring for the Future Party):

Henry has been a keen environmentalist since childhood, when he amassed a noisy menagerie of rescued animals and was completely oblivious to his long-suffering mother's annoyance. He is so passionate about green causes that he is happy to ride roughshod over other people's needs and desires. However, he is charismatic, carrying supporters along with him on a tide of enthusiastic rhetoric and his can-do attitude. He is youthful and energetic, but inexperienced. He is unemployed, but does voluntary work whilst applying for jobs.

B Ida Longshot (Support the Steelworkers Party):

Ida has spent her working life toiling away at Brownsville Steelworks, the largest employer in town. She is loyal and much valued by her boss. She is worried about the long-term future of the company so she has formed a pressure group with some colleagues to protect the company's future. She is an experienced operator as she has chaired many committees to good effect and is used to negotiating. She has a tendency to irritate those around her with her superior, rather distant manner. She holds down a demanding job, but her health is not the best.

C Jackson Maratti (Voice of Reason Party):

Jackson, a businessman who owns shops in Brownsville, is fed up with the 'weasel words' used by many candidates to gain votes so has decided to represent the party of 'plain speaking'. He wants voters to see him as a breath of fresh air and an antidote to corrupt politicians feathering their own nests, so he wears a white suit and walks everywhere, speaking openly to those he meets. However, he has a complicated private life and his businesses are not doing too well in the recession, so both need his attention. He can be blunt and impatient with people, and can lose his temper.

D Extract from the manifesto for the Caring for the Future Party:

- I promise to give the green light to the building of the windfarm on the outskirts of Brownsville once elected. Not only will we all benefit from cheaper electricity bills, but we will be getting cleaner energy that won't increase levels of greenhouse gas emissions. It will have the potential to be a tourist attraction with a visitor centre too. We *will* secure a green and prosperous Brownsville.
- I promise to launch a campaign to recruit a taskforce of volunteers ready to spring into action at a moment's notice to undertake tasks such as picking up litter along the riverside and around the castle; cleaning out the silted-up pond in the park and removing graffiti. We *will* have a beautiful Brownsville to be proud of once again.
- I promise to set up a project to encourage everyone to be better neighbours by regularly visiting the old and vulnerable people in our town and helping them. As a volunteer, I know there are many neglected people here. We *will* bring back a sense of community to Brownsville.

E Extract from the manifesto for the Support the Steelworkers Party:

- Is this party going to stand back and do nothing as hundreds of jobs are threatened in our community? No, we are not! We are drawing a line in the sand – right here, right now!

Once I am elected I shall put pressure on parliament on behalf of the steelworkers with regard to all the cheap imports flooding the country and undermining the financial security of Brownsville Steelworks – the jewel in this town's industrial crown.

- What about the council's contracts – are we going to carry on the previous council's free-spending ways, frittering money away as if there were no tomorrow? No, we are not! We are drawing a line in the sand – right here, right now!

Once I am in office I shall review every contract and renegotiate terms to benefit the voters of Brownsville, and not any councillor or political party. I intend to save money and keep a tight rein on council expenditure.

- Are we forgetting the high rate of unemployment among the town's youth? No, we are not! We are drawing a line in the sand – right here, right now!

As your councillor, I shall immediately implement projects to get the youth motivated and prepared for interviews; to give them worthwhile work placements and to offer incentives to local employers to take on young people.

F Extract from the manifesto for the Voice of Reason Party:

- I'm fed up with metal shutters instead of window displays in many of the shops in the town centre. The sight of so many empty shops is killing Brownsville as a shopping destination and tourist attraction. I shall make it a top priority to regenerate the town centre for everyone by organising a conference to share ideas and forming an action group to put the best ideas into action. You are all welcome.
- I have also had enough of some councillors abusing their position and claiming outrageous expenses or using insider knowledge to gain an advantage, such as with planning applications. I am going to introduce a strict code of conduct that will be rigorously implemented. You can be sure there will be no more 'fat cat' councillors in Brownsville when I am elected.
- I want to be easily available to every one of you so I shall hold weekly sessions with no appointment necessary and have a suggestion box in the Town Hall reception. You will also be able to use email, text, tweet or Facebook to contact me at any time about anything you want to. This really will be politics with a difference.

Passage 3 Study the newspaper article below, written by Sara Wheeler, to answer Question 3 parts (a)–(g).

To mark the centenary of Scott’s expedition to the Antarctic, Sara Wheeler recalls a visit to its eerily well-preserved headquarters.

The hut, used as the expedition’s headquarters, had been transported south on board the ship *Terra Nova* and erected on the ice-covered beach at Cape Evans on Ross Island in January 1911, at the start of Captain Scott’s second Antarctic expedition. This cosy hut provided a much-loved home for the men for two years. Insulated with seaweed and heated by a bulbous stove, it was divided by a bulkhead of packing cases separating the officers’ quarters from the galley and the seamen’s berths nearer the porch. A sophisticated acetylene gas lighting system had been installed and telephones connected the building with two science shelters.

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After the *Terra Nova* left to winter in New Zealand, 16 officers and scientists and nine seamen settled into a routine at Cape Evans. The day began at 8.15 when Thomas Clissold, the cook, served up fried seal liver and porridge. During the morning, people worked at experiments, exercised the dogs and ponies or fetched supplies from the stores. Although Scott’s main aim was to reach the South Pole, his was also a serious scientific mission. The hut bristled with culture-ovens, test tubes and microscopes. Edward Atkinson, the nimble Navy doctor, was doubling up as a parasitologist, and was often to be found delving into the entrails of penguins.

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At the end of the morning they returned to the hut for lunch with ice in their beards. Tea and cocoa were followed by the smoking of pipes, then, unless a blizzard was on, they went out again, returning for hut work before a seal or penguin dinner – and mutton on Sundays. They drank diluted lime juice, often with a suspicious penguin flavour derived from the ice slopes from which they quarried water. Alcohol was served only on birthdays, and a careful record was kept to ensure that each man had only one birthday a year. The acetylene was turned off at about 10.30pm, whereupon the hut was dark except for the glow of the galley stove and the silhouette of the nightwatchman preparing his supper by oil lamp. If it was calm outside, only snores, the ticks of the instruments or the whine of a dog broke the silence. But it is rarely calm in an Antarctic winter. More often, the roars and howls of a blizzard shook the hut and hurled pebbles against the wooden walls.

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History has been kinder to the hut than to Scott. The Antarctic Heritage Trust raises funds to preserve it, shoring up a wall when it collapses and replacing a dead penguin on the specimen table when it disintegrates. After his death, Scott was criticised as being an emblem of imperialism – the archetypal bumbling Englishman abroad, leading his men blindly to doom. Now, at the centenary, I think we have arrived at a synthesis – an acknowledgement of Scott’s many qualities; of his courage, and outstanding skills as a writer; and of his human foibles. History tends to get it right in the end.

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They kept themselves busy in the first winter, cutting one another’s hair, sketching, sewing up the reindeer-hair sleeping bags and continuing with the science. Scott organised a series of lectures. Of the numerous parties, Midwinter’s Day was the most extravagantly conceived and eagerly anticipated. Clissold devised a banquet; a June version of a Christmas tree was fashioned from ski-poles and feathers, and cigars were fetched from the stores, along with the champagne and port.

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In the grim second winter, life at Cape Evans turned into an ode to grief, loss and anxiety. The five sledgers in the polar party were dead, though nobody yet knew how or where they had perished. ‘The scenery has lost much of its beauty to us,’ wrote the geologist Frank Debenham. ‘The auroras are cheap and the cold rather colder.’ Who can wonder? Every day they looked at empty bunks.

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I camped close to the Camp Evans hut for several months while researching a travel book. On my last day in the Antarctic, I slept on Scott's bunk. Looking round at the shelves still loaded with Edwardian supplies, I wondered what in the world had induced Scott to bring a blue-and-white porcelain decorative Chinese bowl. The wind reverberated in the small entrance hall like the sound of a train in a tunnel. I lay awake for many hours, my head on his pillow, as he, weighed down by his responsibilities, must often have done.

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How different the end had been for him. 'Here then, tonight,' he wrote in his diary out there in the tent, 'we have reached the end of our tether.'

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