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Route B – POLITICAL IDEOLOGIES

Introducing Political Ideologies

Answer TWO questions chosen from questions 1–4 and ONE question chosen from questions 5–7. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Questions 1–4 carry 20 marks each.

It is advised that you spend 15 minutes on EACH of your TWO chosen questions.

1. How, and why, has collectivism been associated with a wider role for the state?

Q1

(Total 20 marks)

2. Why have liberals feared the concentration of political power?

Q2

(Total 20 marks)

3. On what grounds have conservatives defended private property?

Q3

(Total 20 marks)

4. What is the dictatorship of the proletariat, and why have Marxists thought it is necessary?

Q4

(Total 20 marks)

Questions 5–7 carry 60 marks each.

It is advised that you spend 45 minutes on this question.

5. To what extent have conservatives supported ‘free market’ capitalism?

Q5

(Total 60 marks)

6. ‘Liberals support equality, but only a qualified form of equality.’ Discuss.

Q6

(Total 60 marks)

7. Why did democratic socialists believe in the ‘inevitability of gradualism’, and why has gradualism failed?

Q7

(Total 60 marks)



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