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**Edexcel GCE**

# Government and Politics

**Advanced**

**Unit 3: Key Themes in Political Analysis**

**Paper 3C: Representative Processes in the USA**

Monday 11 June 2012 – Morning

**Time: 1 hour 30 minutes**

Paper Reference

**6GP03/3C**

**You do not need any other materials.**

Total Marks

## Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **three** questions chosen from Section A and **one** question chosen from Section B.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*

## Information

- The total mark for this paper is 90.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- You will be assessed on your ability to organise and present information, ideas, descriptions and arguments clearly and logically, taking into account your use of grammar, punctuation and spelling.

## Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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**Answer FOUR questions, THREE from Section A and ONE from Section B.**

**Section B starts on page 12.**

**SECTION A**

**Answer THREE questions from this section.**

**1** Why have the activities of US pressure groups been criticised?

**(Total for Question 1 = 15 marks)**

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**2** Which groups of voters support the Democratic Party, and why?

**(Total for Question 2 = 15 marks)**

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**3** Why have attempts at immigration reform since 2000 been criticised?

**(Total for Question 3 = 15 marks)**

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**4** Explain the factors which give pressure groups such a significant role in US politics.

**(Total for Question 4 = 15 marks)**

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**5** Why has campaign finance reform proved difficult to achieve?

**(Total for Question 5 = 15 marks)**

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**(Total for Section A = 45 marks)**

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You will be asked to indicate your second question choice on page 6.

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(Total for Section A = 45 marks)



**SECTION B**

**Answer ONE question from this section.**

**6** 'Affirmative action has failed primarily because of a lack of political will.' Discuss.

**(Total for Question 6 = 45 marks)**

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**7** Which of the two major parties is more ideologically divided?

**(Total for Question 7 = 45 marks)**

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**8** 'The Electoral College should be replaced by a national popular vote.' Discuss.

**(Total for Question 8 = 45 marks)**

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**(Total for Section B = 45 marks)**

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