

Friday 17 May 2013 – Morning

AS GCE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

F851/01 Contemporary Politics of the UK

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

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- Insert – F851/01/1 (inserted)

Other materials required:

None

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- The Insert will be found in the centre of this document.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes above. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink. HB pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Answer **both** questions from Section A and **one** question from Section B.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- You must use your own knowledge and the sources in the Insert to answer Question 1.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided. If additional space is required, you should use the lined pages at the end of this booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **100**.
- You are advised to spend 65 minutes on Section A and 25 minutes on Section B.
- Quality of Written Communication will be assessed in questions 1(b) and 2–5.
This means for example you should:
 - ensure that text is legible and that spelling, punctuation and grammar are accurate so that meaning is clear;
 - organise information clearly and coherently, using specialist vocabulary where appropriate.
- This document consists of **20** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

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Section A	
Question 1(a)(i)	See page 3
Question 1(a)(ii)	See page 4
Question 1(b)	See page 5
Question 2	See page 9
Section B	
Question 3, 4 or 5	See page 13
Additional answer space	See pages 17–19

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2 Assess the contribution of pressure groups to democracy in the UK.

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SECTION B

Answer **one** question in this section.

Write the number of the question answered in the margin.

3 Assess the advantages and disadvantages of the way in which UK members of the European Parliament are elected. **[30]**

4 Discuss the importance of party leaders in influencing the result of recent general elections. **[30]**

5 To what extent is the rational choice model now the best way of explaining the way people vote? **[30]**

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ADDITIONAL ANSWER SPACE

If additional answer space is required, you should use the following lined page(s). The question number(s) must be clearly shown in the margins.

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