



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Level Examination
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Citizenship Studies

CIST3

Unit 3 Power and Justice

Wednesday 27 January 2010 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm

For this paper you must have:

- an 8-page answer book.

Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 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 CIST3.
- Answer **two** questions.
Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B
- Do all rough work in the answer book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Advice

- You are advised to read through the examination paper before you attempt the questions.
- You are advised to spend the same amount of time on each question.

SECTION A – CRIME, JUSTICE AND PUNISHMENT

Answer **one** question from this Section and **one** question from Section B.
Each question carries 40 marks.

EITHER

- 1 (a) Examine what is supposed to be achieved by sentencing. *(15 marks)*
(b) Critically assess the role of the Crown Prosecution Service. *(25 marks)*

OR

- 2 (a) Explain and comment on the roles of the judge and the jury in a criminal trial. *(15 marks)*
(b) ‘The police have insufficient powers to prevent and detect crime.’
Discuss this view. *(25 marks)*

OR

- 3 (a) Examine some of the problems of defining crime. *(15 marks)*
(b) ‘In the 21st century there is no role for lay magistrates in the criminal justice system.’
Critically assess this view. *(25 marks)*

SECTION B – POLITICS, POWER AND PARTICIPATION

Answer **one** question.
Each question carries 40 marks.

EITHER

- 4 (a) Explain and comment on the steps that can be taken to increase the number of female MPs in the House of Commons. *(15 marks)*
- (b) Discuss the extent to which the power of prime ministers has changed in recent years. *(25 marks)*

OR

- 5 (a) Examine the case for **and** against the use of referendums in the UK. *(15 marks)*
- (b) Assess the extent to which, in the 21st century, the UK is part of the ‘global village’. *(25 marks)*

OR

- 6 (a) Consider some of the powers available to Parliament to control the actions of the government. *(15 marks)*
- (b) ‘In a democracy the electoral system should ensure that the government has received the majority of the votes cast at a general election.’
- Assess this view with reference to the UK. *(25 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS

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