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Power and Justice

Unit 3

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Level	vel AO1 AO2 AO3			AO4
	Knowledge and Analysis and Communication and			Synthesis
	Understanding	Evaluation	Action	(2 1)
3	(3–4 marks) Answers are extensive, demonstrating wide ranging citizenship knowledge and an excellent understanding of a range of relevant citizenship concepts and theories. A range of real and topical examples are used to relate and interconnect knowledge and understanding to citizenship issues.	(5–6 marks) The response contains explicit and detailed analysis and evaluation of issues, problems or events in relation to the citizenship concepts and topics studied. Evaluation of information, views, opinions, ideas and arguments is clear and detailed and there is a detailed assessment of their validity.	A range of information is selected and organised, from which arguments are developed. The response makes good use of appropriate citizenship terminology. Where appropriate the response indicates a good ability to discuss a wide range of key elements relating to citizenship participation. The response should be legible but there may be	(3 marks) Answers demonstrate an excellent ability to synthesise knowledge, ideas and concepts from different areas of the subject in order to generalise, organise and construct an argument or propose alternative solutions.
2	(2 marks) Answers are characterised by a good level of citizenship knowledge and a clear understanding of a range of relevant citizenship concepts and theories. Examples are used to relate knowledge and understanding to citizenship issues and indicate linkages.	(3–4 marks) The response contains good evidence of the skills of analysis and evaluation of issues, problems or events in relation to the citizenship concepts and topics studied. Information, views, opinions, ideas and arguments are evaluated and validity is assessed.	occasional errors of spelling punctuation and grammar.	(2 marks) Answers demonstrate a good ability to synthesise knowledge, ideas and concepts from different areas of the subject in order to generalise, organise and construct an argument or propose alternative solutions.
1	(1 mark) Answers are characterised by basic citizenship knowledge understanding of relevant concepts and theories. Candidates may make a basic attempt to use examples to relate knowledge and understanding to citizenship issues and identify connections.	(1–2 marks) The response contains little or no evidence of the skills of analysis or evaluation of issues, problems or events in relation to the citizenship concepts and topics studied. Any assessment of the validity of information, views, opinions, ideas and arguments is implied rather than stated.	(1 mark) There is a basic attempt to select and organise information and construct arguments. The response makes limited use of appropriate citizenship terminology. The response indicates only a basic ability to discuss basic elements of citizenship participation. Errors in spelling punctuation and grammar may be intrusive and the response may not be legible.	(1 mark) Answers demonstrate a basic ability to synthesise knowledge, ideas and concepts from different areas of the subject in order to generalise, organise and construct an argument or propose alternative solutions.
	0 marks No relevant response.	0 marks No relevant response.	0 marks No relevant response.	0 marks No relevant response.

Level	AO1	AO2	AO3	AO4	
	Knowledge and	Analysis and	Communication and	Synthesis	
	Understanding	Evaluation	Action		
3	(4–5 marks)	(6–8 marks)	(3–4 marks)	(6–8 marks)	
	Answers are extensive,	The response contains explicit and	The response is developed from an	Answers demonstrate an	
	demonstrating wide	detailed analysis	extensive range of	excellent ability to	
	ranging citizenship	and evaluation of	evidence which is	synthesise	
	knowledge and an	issues, problems or	selected and organised	knowledge, ideas	
	excellent	events in relation to	to form the basis of the	and concepts from	
	understanding of a	the citizenship	arguments being	different areas of	
	range of relevant	concepts and topics	presented. Appropriate	the subject in	
	citizenship concepts and theories.	studied. Evaluation of	citizenship terminology is used extensively.	order to generalise,	
	A range of real and	information, views,	Where appropriate the	organise and	
	topical examples are	opinions, ideas and	response indicates an	construct an	
	used to relate and	arguments is clear	outstanding ability to	argument or	
	interconnect	and detailed and	recognise and draw	propose	
	knowledge and understanding to	there is a detailed assessment of their	upon the candidate's	alternative solutions.	
	citizenship issues.	validity.	own experiences in relation to citizenship	Solutions.	
	onizerioriip loodeo.	validity.	participation.		
			The response should		
			be legible with few, if		
			any, errors of spelling		
			punctuation and		
2	(2–3 marks)	(3–5 marks)	grammar. (2 marks)	(3–5 marks)	
_	Answers are	The response	A range of information	Answers	
	characterised by a	contains good	is selected and	demonstrate a	
	good level of	evidence of the	organised, from which	good ability to	
	citizenship knowledge	skills of analysis	arguments are	synthesise	
	and a clear	and evaluation of	developed. The	knowledge, ideas	
	understanding of a range of relevant	issues, problems or events in relation to	response makes good use of appropriate	and concepts from different areas of	
	citizenship concepts	the citizenship	citizenship terminology.	the subject in	
	and theories.	concepts and topics	Where appropriate the	order to	
	Examples are used to	studied.	response indicates a	generalise,	
	relate knowledge and	Information, views,	good ability to discuss	organise and	
	understanding to	opinions, ideas and	a wide range of key	construct an	
	citizenship issues and indicate linkages.	arguments are evaluated and	elements relating to citizenship	argument or propose	
	maicate ilinayes.	validity is assessed.	participation.	alternative	
			The response should	solutions.	
			be legible but there		
			may be occasional		
			errors of spelling		
			punctuation and		
	1		grammar.		

Level	AO1	AO2	AO3	AO4 Synthesis	
	Knowledge and	Analysis and	Communication and		
	Understanding	Evaluation	Action		
1	(1 mark)	(1-2 marks)	(1 mark)	(1-2 marks)	
	Answers are	The response	There is a basic	Answers	
	characterised by	contains little or no	attempt to select and	demonstrate a	
	basic citizenship	evidence of the	organise information	basic ability to	
	knowledge	skills of analysis or	and construct	synthesise	
	understanding of	evaluation of	arguments. The	knowledge, ideas	
	relevant concepts and	issues, problems or	response makes limited	and concepts from	
	theories.	events in relation to	use of appropriate	different areas of	
	Candidates may	the citizenship	citizenship terminology.	the subject in	
	make a basic attempt	concepts and topics	The response indicates	order to	
	to use examples to	studied. Any	only a basic ability to	generalise,	
	relate knowledge and	assessment of the	discuss basic elements	organise and	
	understanding to	validity of	of citizenship	construct an	
	citizenship issues and	information, views,	participation.	argument or	
	identify connections.	opinions, ideas and	Errors in spelling	propose	
		arguments is	punctuation and	alternative	
		implied rather than	grammar may be	solutions.	
		stated.	intrusive and the		
			response may not be		
			legible.		
	0 marks	0 marks	0 marks	0 marks	
	No relevant response.	No relevant	No relevant response.	No relevant	
		response.		response.	

The following indicative content is to be used in conjunction with the Generic Mark Bands. The points identified are those expected to be found in responses worthy of the top end of Level 3. Responses judged to be characterised by lower levels are likely to include progressively fewer relevant points.

In addition to the indicative content detailed here, all relevant responses will be given credit.

SECTION A

EITHER

0 1 Examine the purpose of pre-trial hearings in criminal cases. (15 marks)

A01

Candidates will explain that pre-trial hearings will determine, *inter alia*:

- the granting of legal aid
- bail
- disclosure
- areas of agreement

Note:

- 1. not all of these are necessary for full marks
- 2. the above are given only as examples
- 3. other relevant and accurate issues raised at pre-trial hearings will be credited.

AO2

Candidates will develop the explanation of the issues raised in AO1 by discussing the relevance of the matters dealt with at the pre-trial hearings to the whole trial procedure – for example how they speed up the trial and/or help to achieve a just and fair outcome

AO3

Candidates will use language appropriate to the issue of criminal proceedings

AO4

Candidates will draw concepts and examples from a range of citizenship sources and will construct an answer that responds to the issues raised in the question

AND

Judges are still predominately elderly, white, Oxbridge educated men.' Assess the view that citizens should be concerned about the composition of the judiciary. (25 marks)

AO1

Candidates will explain that The Constitutional Reform Act changed the way in which judges were appointed and did away with the secrecy surrounding the previous system. (Candidates may explain how the old system worked and will be given credit for doing so, but such an explanation is not necessary for full marks.) Candidates will, however, demonstrate an awareness of the criticism often made about the restricted social, racial and sexual group from which the senior judiciary was traditionally drawn and how the creation of the Judicial Appointments Commission was expected to widen the background from which all judges were appointed. Candidates will explain how judges are currently appointed.

AO2

Candidates will discuss the changes made by the Constitutional Reform Act and whether or not the changes it was intended to promote have in fact been achieved. They are likely to consider the relative success or failure of any changes, the desirability of drawing the judiciary, including the senior judiciary, from a diverse social, racial and sexual background and credit will be given for developing the discussion to consider how a failure to do so could undermine confidence in the judiciary generally, although full marks could be achieved without considering this aspect of the question.

Candidates will reach a sound evaluative conclusion, based on the evidence adduced in their answer.

AO3

Candidates will use language appropriate to the issue of the appointment of judges

AO4

0 3

Explain how people charged with a criminal offence can be legally represented in court, even if they are unable to pay their lawyers' fees. (15 marks)

AO1

Candidates will explain the various schemes for providing state funded representation for people accused of criminal offences. This might include an explanation of: -

- duty solicitors in court
- the Criminal Defence Service
- criminal defenders

Note:

- 1. not all of these are necessary for full marks
- 2. the above are given only as examples
- 3. other relevant and accurate sources of legal representation and/or advice will be credited

AO2

Candidates will discuss the services provided by the various sources of representation and/or advice that they have identified and the differences between them.

AO₃

Candidates will use language appropriate to the issue of criminal proceedings, legal aid and legal representation.

AO4

Candidates will draw concepts and examples from a range of citizenship sources and will construct an answer that responds to the issues raised in the question

AND

0 4

When sentencing young people, courts should consider options where punishment is the only objective. Discuss. (25 marks)

A01

Candidates will identify and explain some of the theories of sentencing relevant to children and young offenders – for example they may consider issues such as reform and retribution and relate these to the question.

AO2

Candidates will consider the different approaches that can be taken to dealing with young offenders and discuss the issues that the different approaches raise for sentencers. For example they may consider the view that young people offend because they have not been taught that offending is wrong and that the appropriate sentence should seek to re-educate them and bring them to a more appropriate understanding of acceptable behaviour or that they offend because they are inherently 'bad' and so need to be punished for their conduct. Candidates will relate this approach to the type of sentence that is available to the courts.

Candidates should produce a balanced answer that considers more than one approach to sentencing and weight up the advantages and disadvantages of the approaches that they consider.

This is a wide question and there are a number of approaches that candidates may take and it is not possible or desirable to be prescriptive. All appropriate and well informed discussion will be credited.

Candidates will reach a sound evaluative conclusion, based on the evidence adduced in their answer.

AO3

Candidates will use language appropriate to the issue of sentencing.

AO4

0 5 Examine the role of the Criminal Division of the Court of Appeal. (15 marks)

AO1

Candidates will explain that the Criminal Division of the Court of Appeal hears appeals against sentence, or conviction, or both from the Crown Court.. They will explain that in relation to appeals against conviction it reviews the proceedings at the trial in the Crown Court and if it considers that the conviction is safe it will dismiss the appeal, but that if the conviction is seen to be unsafe it will either quash the conviction or order a retrial. On appeals against sentence it will consider the appropriateness of the sentence and if the sentence is seen to be excessive it will reduce it, otherwise it will dismiss the appeal. Candidates may consider the role of the Court of Appeal in hearing cases referred to it by the Attorney-General, but it is not necessary to do so for full marks.

AO2

Candidates will discuss the way in which the Court of Appeal approaches the task of sentencing and its role in fixing appropriate sentences for a range of offences and the way this has changed in recent years as a result of the increased role of the Sentencing Guidelines Council.

AO3

Candidates will use language appropriate to a discussion of the role of the Court of Appeal and its place in the criminal justice system.

AO4

Candidates will draw concepts and examples from a range of citizenship sources and will construct an answer that responds to the issues raised in the question

AND

0 6 The police now have too many powers to arrest suspects.' Assess this view. (25 marks)

AO1

Candidates will explain the powers of arrest given to the police under the provisions of SCOPA and the appropriate codes of practice. They will explain (in terms) that the police have power to arrest any person if they have reasonable grounds to believe that: -

- an offence have been committed
- the person being arrested has committed the offence
- the arrest is necessary to facilitate the investigation of the offence, or to prevent the suspect from disappearing.

Candidates will be given credit for explaining how these powers differ from those under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, but it is not necessary to do so for full marks.

AO2

Candidates will discuss the extent of the powers granted and show how these are very wide and can be used to cover a range of situations where the police may not need the power of arrest and the very wide discretion that these powers give to the police. Candidates will

weigh up the reasons for giving the police these very wide powers and the problems that these powers create for the police and for the civil liberties lobby.

Candidates will reach a sound evaluative conclusion, based on the evidence adduced in their answer.

AO3

Candidates will use language appropriate to a discussion of police powers and the protection of civil liberties.

AO4

SECTION B

EITHER

0 7

Examine **two** ways in which MPs can be held to account for their actions.

(15 marks)

AO1

Candidates will explain how an MP can be held to account by two bodies such as: -

- the courts
- his or her party
- his or her constituency.

Note:

- 1. the above are given only as examples
- 2. other relevant and accurate ways of holding an MP to account will be credited

Candidates who explain only one way of holding an MP to account (by a body other than Parliament) cannot receive marks in a band higher than level 2

AO₂

Candidates will discuss how bodies that they have identified proceed to hold an MP to account and the effectiveness of proceedings by such bodies.

AO₃

Candidates will use language appropriate to a discussion of proceedings relating to the conduct of MPs.

AO4

Candidates will draw concepts and examples from a range of citizenship sources and will construct an answer that responds to the issues raised in the question

AND

0 8

'There are no ideological differences between the major UK political parties.'
Assess this view. (25 marks)

AO1

Candidates will explain, using appropriate examples, what is meant by the term 'ideology'

AO2

Candidates will discuss, using examples, the role of ideology in creating policy. They will make clear the difference between policy and ideology and between part and ideology.

They will consider, using examples, the way in which ideology could influence policy and the extent to which it does, or could do.

Candidates will reach a sound evaluative conclusion, based on the evidence adduced in their answer.

AO3

Candidates will use language appropriate to a discussion about the nature and role of parliament.

AO4

0 9

Examine the role of the UK in **two** international organisations other than the European Union. (15 marks)

A01

Candidates will identify two international bodies (other than the EU) of which the UK is a member or in which the UK plays a role – for example:

- The United Nations
- NATO
- G8
- G20

Note:

- 1. the above are given only as examples
- 2. other relevant and accurate bodies will be credited.

Candidates will explain the role of the UK in the bodies that they have identified.

Candidates who explain the role of the UK in only one international organisation (other than the EU) cannot receive marks in a band higher than level 2.

AO2

Candidates will develop their examination by a discussion of the role that the UK plays in the bodies that they have identified. This might be by reference to examples or brief reference to case studies

AO₃

Candidates will use language appropriate to an explanation and discussion of international organisations and the 'global village'.

AO4

Candidates will draw concepts and examples from a range of citizenship sources and will construct an answer that responds to the issues raised in the question

AND

1 0

'Parliament is undemocratic because of the First Past The Post electoral system used at general elections.' Assess this view. (25 marks)

A01

Candidates will explain that the "first past the post" system used for parliamentary and local elections in the UK does not mean that the successful candidates have received the majority of the votes cast. Candidates will explain (in simple terms) how one of the systems of proportional representation works and show how it differs from the present system. and that the claims made of a system of proportional representation might

AO2

Candidates will discuss the advantages that might result from adopting a system of proportional representation. These might include:

- better representation of the wishes of the voters' as expressed at the ballot box.
- more parties might field candidates
- smaller parties might be better represented in parliament
- voters might have a wider choice of candidates

These are given only as examples and all other credit-worthy points will be credited.

Candidates will reach a sound evaluative conclusion, based on the evidence adduced in their answer.

AO₃

Candidates will use language appropriate to the issue of parliamentary representation and elections

AO4

1 1

Consider some of the ways in which a citizen can participate effectively in the political system without becoming an MP or a local councillor. (15 marks)

A01

Candidates will identify at least two ways in which a person can advance his or her views without being elected as an MP or as a local councillor – for example:

- the internet
- membership of a pressure group
- local council forums

Note:

- 1. not all of these are necessary for full marks
- 2. the above are give only as examples
- 3. all other accurate and relevant examples will be credited
- 4. candidates who deal with only one other way in which a citizen have make his or her opinions known cannot receive marks higher than those available in band 2.

Candidates will explain the methods that they have identified

AO2

Candidates will develop their answer by a discussion of the methods they have identified and offer some evaluation of the effectiveness of their suggestions

AO₃

Candidates will use language appropriate to the issue of participation in public affairs

AO4

Candidates will draw concepts and examples from a range of citizenship sources and will construct an answer that responds to the issues raised in the question

AND

1 2

'The Executive does not dominate Parliament.' Discuss this view. (25 marks)

AO1

Candidates will explain that the UK has a cabinet government and that the Cabinet has no official standing in itself. It collectively proposes legislation which is then discussed and (usually) passed into law by Parliament.

AO2

Candidates will discuss whether the theory represents reality. In modern Parliaments the very tight party controls ensure that usually government legislation is passed without a problem, but that sometimes this breaks down and governments fail to get legislation passed by the Commons. Candidates may discuss this from a range of perspectives (for example some may argue that parliament is dominated by party rather than by the executive, or by the Prime Minister, or by a section of the government rather than the whole cabinet) and

credit will be given for all relevant and well informed comment that is supported by examples and is well presented and convincingly argued.

Candidates will reach a sound evaluative conclusion, based on the evidence adduced in their answer.

AO3

Candidates will use language appropriate to the issue of whether the Executive does or does not dominate Parliament.

AO4

ASSESSMENT OBJECTIVE GRID

	Section A		Section B		
A2 Assessment Objective	Marks allocated by Assessment Objective questions 01, 03 and 05	Marks allocated by Assessment Objective questions 02, 04 and 06	Marks allocated by Assessment Objective questions 07, 09 and 11	Marks allocated by Assessment Objective questions 08, 10 and 12	Total Marks by Assessment Objective
A01	4	5	4	5	18
AO2	6	8	6	8	28
AO3	2	4	2	4	12
AO4	3	8	3	8	22
Total	15	25	15	25	80