



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Subsidiary Examination
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Citizenship Studies

CIST2

Unit 2 Democracy, Active Citizenship and Participation

Tuesday 18 January 2011 9.00 am to 10.30 am

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 8-page answer book
- your Active Citizenship Profile.

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 CIST2.
- Answer **seven** questions.
In Section A, answer Questions **0 1** and **0 2** and **either** Question **0 3** **or** Question **0 4** .
In Section B, answer **all** questions.
- Do all rough work in your 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 90.
- 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.

Section A – Making a Difference

Answer Questions **0 1** and **0 2** and **either** Question **0 3** **or** Question **0 4** .

This section carries 30 marks.

Read the passage below and answer Questions **0 1** and **0 2** which follow.

Power and authority

The terms *power* and *authority* are often interchanged by many when their meanings are quite distinct.

In his resignation speech in 1993, the Conservative Chancellor of the Exchequer, Norman Lamont, stated: "We give the impression of being in office but not in power. Far too many important decisions are made for 36 hours' publicity."

Tony Blair, in a speech after calling the 2001 General Election, stated: "As New Labour we seek a mandate, not just for continuity but for change, for a Britain strong, modern and fair."

Your answers should refer to the passage as appropriate, but you should also include other relevant information.

0 1 Briefly outline, using examples, what is meant by the terms *power* and *authority*.
(5 marks)

0 2 Examine the claim that recent governments in the UK have not had a mandate to govern.
(10 marks)

EITHER

0 3 Assess the claim that the media do **not** influence the political attitudes of citizens.
(15 marks)

OR

0 4 Critically assess the extent to which the UK political system allows for citizens' participation in the democratic process.
(15 marks)

Section B – Active Citizenship

Answer **all** questions in this section.

You should refer to your Active Citizenship Profile when answering questions in this section.

This section carries 60 marks.

0 | 5 Briefly outline the ways in which an active citizenship task that you have undertaken developed an area of your citizenship knowledge. *(5 marks)*

0 | 6 Referring to your own active citizenship work, assess how successful you were in bringing about a change. *(15 marks)*

Read the passage below and answer Question **0 | 7** which follows.

Active citizenship and pressure groups

Pressure groups can be described as organised groups that do not contest elections to win power, but seek to influence those who do hold power locally, nationally or internationally. They can be described as 'interest groups', 'lobby groups' or 'protest groups'. They can also be known as 'insider' or 'outsider' groups. The number of pressure groups in the UK runs into many thousands.

0 | 7 From your knowledge of active citizenship, why are some pressure group campaigns more successful than others in achieving their aims? *(15 marks)*

0 | 8 Assess why many citizens do not participate in active citizenship campaigns. *(25 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS

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