

AS CITIZENSHIP STUDIES

Unit 2 Democracy, Active Citizenship and Participation

Friday 27 May 2016

Afternoon

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-page answer book
- your Active Citizenship Profile.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is CIST2.
- Answer **seven** questions.

In Section A, answer Questions

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0	2
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 and **either** Question

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or Question

0	4
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In Section B, answer **all** questions.

- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work 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 source below and answer Questions **0 1** and **0 2** which follow.

A Guide for UK Citizens to what the European Union delivers

The UK is a net contributor to the EU budget. Therefore it is understandable that people in the UK want to learn more about how they benefit from the money they contribute.

The EU helps with:

- moving around Europe freely and safely
- giving UK consumers a fair deal
- making our food and environment safer
- fighting crime and policing borders.

<http://www.the-eu-and-me.org.uk>

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

0 1 Briefly outline **one** key point in favour of the UK remaining a member of the EU. **[5 marks]**

0 2 Explain why some citizens are concerned about the UK's membership of the European Union. **[10 marks]**

Either

0 3 'The power of newspapers and television to influence political attitudes is declining.'
Critically assess this statement. **[15 marks]**

or

0 4 There have been many suggestions made to encourage more people to vote in elections.
Assess the possible impact of any **three** of these suggestions. **[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.

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Outline why a citizenship activity you have undertaken was a form of 'active citizenship'.

[5 marks]**0 6**

Regarding a citizenship activity you have undertaken, what could you have done differently in order to improve the outcome?

[15 marks]

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

Local campaigns

Increasing numbers of communities are taking action to oppose planning developments for superstores or housing developments in their area. Facing a complicated planning system and powerful opposition can seem to be a big task.

Local campaigners face many obstacles when trying to persuade their local council to change their views. Campaigners have to be well organised and clear about their aims if they are to stand any chance of success.

0 7

How would you organise a campaign against a proposed superstore development in your local area?

Justify your choices of action and discuss their possible impact.

[15 marks]**0 8**

'Young people do not get involved in the political process.'

Critically assess this claim.

[25 marks]**END OF QUESTIONS**

There are no questions printed on this page

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