

**ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY GCE
 CRITICAL THINKING**

F491

Unit 1: Credibility of Evidence

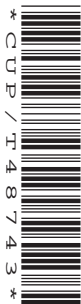
MONDAY 14 JANUARY 2008

Afternoon

Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

Candidates answer on the question paper.

Additional materials: Resource Booklet



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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the boxes above.
- Use blue or black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.
- Do **not** write outside the box bordering each page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- You will be awarded up to 5 marks overall for the quality of your written communication.
- The number of marks for each question is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **80**.
- Additional answer space is available on the lined page at the back of this book. Answers on this page must be clearly numbered.

FOR EXAMINER'S USE	
Section A	
Section B	
Section C	
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TOTAL	

This document consists of **11** printed pages and **1** blank page.

The 4 documents in the Resource Booklet contain reports about the alleged Philadelphia Experiment. Read these documents and then answer the questions that follow.

Section A: Assessing the credibility of documents

1 *Consider the reporting of secret military experiments in general.*

Explain three possible weaknesses in the credibility of the reporting of such alleged experiments.

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2 *Consider the map and the claims made about the sightings of the USS Eldridge at Norfolk in Virginia.*

Give an explanation that would account for sightings of this ship in Norfolk, other than the effect of the alleged experiment.

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3 Consider the credibility of Documents 1 and 4.

For each document make three points of assessment, each of which should:

- identify a relevant credibility criterion
- use this to assess the credibility of the documents
- make reference to the text to support your assessment.

Document 1

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Document 4

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Total Marks for Section A [26]

Section B: Assessing the credibility of evidence

4 Consider the claim by ONR in Document 4 that , ‘...no documents have been found which confirm this event...’

(a) State what ONR is implying here.

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(b) State an alternative conclusion that could be drawn from the fact that no documents have been found.

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5 Consider the claims made by D. Cunningham in Document 2 and the members of the Eldridge’s crew in Document 3.

Assess the credibility of their evidence. For each of these make **two** points of assessment, each of which should:

- identify a claim made
- assess how this is strengthened or weakened by any relevant credibility criterion
- state what you must suppose to be true in order to reach your assessment.

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6 Use **one** credibility criterion to justify which source, either D.Cunningham or the members of Eldridge's crew, is more credible than the other.
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Total Marks for Section B [24]

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