

**ADVANCED GCE
CRITICAL THINKING**

F493

UNIT 3: Resolution of Dilemmas

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Afternoon

Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

Additional materials: Answer Booklet (16 pages)
Resource Booklet



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **all** the questions.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- You are advised to spend about 15 minutes reading through the Resource Booklet and question paper before attempting to answer the questions.
- 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**.

This document consists of **4** printed pages.

First read the **Choices** and the **Criteria** contained in the boxes below.
Then read the **Resource Booklet** before attempting **all** questions.

Box 1

Choices

In a situation where we have to make decisions we can identify a number of possible choices. In the case of the proposed National Identity Scheme and Identity Cards, the following represents a series of choices that could be made:

- implement the policy of compulsory identity cards for all adults in the UK as soon as possible;
- make identity cards compulsory for certain groups only;
- introduce a voluntary system of identity cards;
- abandon all plans to introduce identity cards.

Box 2

Criteria

In responding to the issues raised by the National Identity Scheme and Identity Cards, we need to develop criteria that can be used to help us to make decisions. Examples may include the following criteria:

- cost
- public opinion
- ease of implementation
- effectiveness.

Questions:

- 1 In **Document 2** the author refers to the 'British notion of freedom'.
- (a) Identify and explain briefly **two** possible problems of definition which might arise from the use of the term **freedom**. [4]
- (b) Explain how these problems of definition might make it difficult to introduce a National Identity Scheme. [6]
- 2 With reference to **Document 3**, identify and explain briefly **three** factors that might affect how people react to identity cards. [6]
- 3 Select **two** of the criteria given in the **Criteria** box and apply each of them to **two** of the choices given in the **Choices** box. In your answer you should:
- assess how far each of the two criteria selected might help in making decisions about identity cards;
 - evaluate the relevance and importance of each criterion as applied to identity cards;
 - where appropriate, critically assess the material in the Resource Booklet. [24]
- 4 (a) State and explain **one** dilemma that arises in making decisions about identity cards. [4]
- (b) Write an argument that attempts to resolve the dilemma you have identified. In your argument, you should:
- identify some relevant principles (these may be ethical principles);
 - assess the extent to which these principles are helpful in terms of resolving the dilemma;
 - use the evidence in the Resource Booklet to support your argument where relevant. [36]

Total Marks [80]

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