

ADVANCED GCE

CRITICAL THINKING

Ethical Reasoning and Decision-Making

F503

Candidates answer on the answer booklet.

OCR supplied materials:

- Resource booklet
- 8 page answer booklet
(sent with general stationery)

Other materials required:

None

Wednesday 26 January 2011
Afternoon

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **60**.
- You are advised to spend about 15 minutes reading through the resource booklet and question paper before answering the questions.
- You will be marked on the quality of your written communication in questions 3 and 4.
- This document consists of **2** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Read the **resource booklet** and then answer **all** the following questions:

Important note

Governments and fertility clinics have to make choices about providing IVF treatment. You may interpret question 1 with reference to governments and/or fertility clinics. Question 2 refers to governments and questions 3 and 4 to clinics.

- 1 (a) Suggest and briefly explain **one** problem with the reasoning in **Document 1** in **favour** of restricting the age at which women may receive IVF. [3]
- (b) Suggest and briefly explain **one** problem in using **Document 3** to **oppose** restricting the age at which women may receive IVF. [3]
- 2 Governments could decide to set a maximum age for women to receive IVF treatment. Suggest and briefly explain **two** problems in putting such a policy into practice. [3+3]
- 3 Fertility clinics could choose to provide IVF treatment to women up to the age of 60 but not older. Suggest **three** criteria (eg child welfare) and use them to evaluate this choice. [12]
- 4 Write an argument supporting any **one** choice which fertility clinics could make concerning which women they would accept for IVF treatment. You may use the choice referred to in question 3 or any other choice.

In your argument you should use some relevant principles and explain why you have rejected at least one **alternative** choice. Support your argument by referring critically to material from the resource booklet. [36]

Total Marks [60]



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