# OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS 

Advanced Subsidiary GCE
GENERAL STUDIES
2961
THE CULTURAL DOMAIN
Monday 22 MAY 2006 Afternoon 1 hour 15 minutes

Additional materials:
8 page answer booklet.

TIME 1 hour 15 minutes

## INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- Write your answers in the answer booklet.
- If you use additional sheets of paper, fasten the sheets to the answer booklet.
- Answer all questions in Section A and one question in Section B.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.


## 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 100.
- Where an answer requires a piece of extended writing, the quality of your written communication will be assessed, including clarity of expression, structure of arguments, presentation of ideas, grammar, punctuation and spelling.
- You may use an approved calculator.

Section A

> Study the source material, then answer all of the questions in this section.

SOURCE 1

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Details: An extract of adapted text from 'My Idea of Heaven' by Giles Brandreth in the Sunday Telegraph on 27th April 2001

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Details: Quotes about faith from 1 Corinthians Chapter 13, Verse 3 and by Charles Dickens and Tony Benn

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(a) With reference to Source 1, what do you understand by the following terms:
(i) 'the diminution of one's powers' (line 2);
(ii) 'injustice and oppression' (line 3)?
(b) Why might Tutu think that Heaven will be a place where'accidents will not happen any more'? (line 5)
(c) What does Tutu imply when he says:
(i) 'Heaven is a community' (line 11);
(ii) 'a person is a person through other persons' (lines 11-12)?
(d) Explain Tutu's feelings towards the release of Nelson Mandela
(i) from Tutu's personal point of view;
(ii) in terms of the effect it had on others.
(e) Explain the assurance given to Brandreth by Tutu in lines 25-30.

Source 2 contains three references to faith. Choose one and explain your interpretation of the quotation.

Prepare a short talk for a class discussion on the importance of faith and trust in a school or college community. Use about 150 words of continuous prose.

## Section B

Answer one question from this section.

4 (a) Briefly outline two ways in which the choice of leisure pursuits can be influenced by a person's background.
(b) Discuss the extent to which travel shapes our understanding and appreciation of the beliefs and values of other cultures. Refer to at least two of your own travel experiences which may be local, national or international.

5 (a) Briefly outline two benefits of different parts of the United Kingdom retaining their own languages and cultures.
(b) Analyse two positive and two negative effects that joining the European Union has had on British cultural identity.

6 (a) Briefly outline two possible changes to everyday life that one of the following categories of television programme has encouraged:

Cookery; Gardening; DIY; Antiques.
(b) Discuss and analyse two positive and two negative views on the values portrayed by 'reality' television shows.

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