

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS

Advanced GCE

GENERAL STUDIES

2965

THE SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL DOMAINS

Thursday

22 JUNE 2006

Morning

1 hour 30 minutes

Additional materials:
8 page Answer booklet.

TIME 1 hour 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- If you use additional sheets of paper, fasten the sheets to the answer booklet.
- Answer **one** question 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.**
- Credit will be given for appropriate use of examples.
- You may use an approved calculator.

This question paper consists of 4 printed pages.

Section A

The Scientific Domain

Answer **one** question from this section.

- 1 It has been suggested that the carrying of National Identity Cards containing a 'chip' holding personal information should be made compulsory in the UK. Assess the advantages and disadvantages of the compulsory carrying of National Identity Cards in the UK. [50]

- 2 'Reduce, recycle, landfill or incinerate'. Assess the advantages of **each** of these **four** strategies for waste management. [50]

- 3 Examine the suggestion that, when it comes to disasters such as floods, hurricanes and droughts, 'Charity begins at home'. [50]

Section B**The Cultural Domain**

Answer **one** question from this section.

- 4 Nationalism involves a desire for the political independence of your country and love of your nation but is sometimes associated with the belief that your nation is better than others.

Describe the ways in which people in the UK are encouraged to be more nationalistic. How far does a sense of nationalism act as a substitute for religion in the everyday lives of people? [50]

- 5 Drawing upon your own experience and your observations of others, discuss the ways in which people become motivated to explore creativity and innovation. [50]

- 6 Explain how **two** of the following creative activities contribute to our understanding, as well as our appreciation, of the more pleasant aspects of life such as happiness, love, beauty and friendship.

You must select **two** from the following:

(a) architecture;

(d) fashion;

(g) painting;

(b) photography;

(e) sculpture;

(h) the stage;

(c) the screen;

(f) music;

(i) writing.

[50]

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