

**ADVANCED GCE****GENERAL STUDIES**

The Scientific and Cultural Domains

**2965**

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet

**OCR Supplied Materials:**

- 8 page Answer Booklet

**Other Materials Required:**

None

**Wednesday 23 June 2010**  
**Afternoon**

**Duration:** 1 hour 30 minutes**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name clearly in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Use 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.
- Write your answers in 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.
- 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 **100**.
- You are advised to divide your time equally between Sections A and B.
- **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.
- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

**Section A****The Scientific Domain**

Answer **one** question from this section.

- 1** 'Over the centuries scientists have made progress in developing solutions to health problems, but at a cost.'

Assess this statement with reference to **two** developments in the improvement of health. **[50]**

- 2** Describe **one** development in telecommunications that you feel has raised social and/or environmental problems. Explain the problems that have arisen and suggest how they might be reduced. **[50]**

- 3** Everyone appears to agree that we must conserve our scarce resources and yet we consume more and more. Describe **three** ways in which life today encourages people to use more resources. How might we be persuaded to consume less and conserve more? **[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 and is often associated with the belief that your nation is better than others.

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

- 5 Each year panels of judges award prizes to successful people in the following categories:

- architects responsible for the renovation of old buildings
- designers of a summer clothes collection
- artists painting landscape pictures
- news photographers
- sculptors using recycled materials
- lyricists for a stage or screen musical
- authors of popular fiction.

Select **one** of these categories.

Identify and justify **five** criteria the judges might use to make an award in that category.

Identify with reasons **two** additional criteria which might be proposed but which you would resist. **[50]**

- 6 A number of writers have suggested that the purpose of creative people is to present a 'mirror or lamp' to society. What do you think is suggested by the phrase 'mirror or lamp'? Assess **two** of the ways in which creative people hold up a mirror or lamp to society. **[50]**

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