

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL EXAMINATIONS General Certificate of Education Advanced Subsidiary Level

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES

8987/03

Paper 3

For Examination from 2012

SPECIMEN MARK SCHEME

MAXIMUM MARK: 40

Examiners should be a 'best-fit' approach to making candidates' work, using the full range of marks.

Each presentation must be accompanied by a signed cover sheet.

The assessment objectives (AOs) are to some extent inter-dependent and the presentations should be marked holistically using the level-based mark scheme below. The approximate distribution of AOs in this component is:

AO1: 15% (6) AO2: 15% (6) AO3: 40% (16) AO4: 30% (12)

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Level	Marks	Indicative content
5	33–40	The presentation is clearly focused on an issue of global significance and is firmly based on the source material. The presentation is logically structured and coherently argued with clear lines of reasoning and well-supported judgements. The candidate reflects sympathetically on the global issues and perspectives, based on sufficient insightful and enquiring research. A range of relevant and credible sources has been synthesised , cited and fully referenced. The candidate shows genuine empathy with alternative perspectives and arguments and either justifies disagreement with these perspectives or finds a viable compromise between them. The candidate's conclusion, or personal perspective is based logically on the evidence, reasoning and personal reflection presented and effectively answers the question posed.
4	25–32	The presentation is focused on an issue of global significance and is based on the source material. The presentation is well structured and well argued with some lines of reasoning and some well-supported judgements. The candidate reflects on the global issues and perspectives with some sympathy and based on some insightful or enquiring research. A range of relevant or credible sources has been selected, some of which has been synthesised, cited and accurately referenced. The candidate shows some empathy with alternative perspectives and arguments and adequately justifies disagreement with these perspectives, finding an appropriate compromise between them. The candidate's conclusion, or personal perspective is based on the evidence, reasoning and personal reflection presented and adequately answers the question posed.
3	17–24	The presentation has some global significance and is based on the source material. The presentation has some structure and contains some well argued points, some lines of reasoning and some supported judgements. The candidate shows some reflection on the global issues and perspectives with some sympathy and based on some enquiring research. A range of sources has been selected , but they may lack some relevance or credibility. Some references are cited and accurately referenced. The candidate shows some empathy for alternative perspectives and arguments and partially justifies disagreement with these perspectives, finding a compromise between them. The candidate's conclusion, or personal perspective is based partly on the evidence, reasoning and personal reflection presented which provides a partial answer to the question posed.
2	9–16	The presentation has some relevance to the source material, but of limited global significance or focus. The presentation has some structure and contains some argued points, some lines of reasoning and some supported judgements. The candidate shows some reflection on the global issues or perspectives with some sympathy and based on some research. A range of sources has been used , but they lack some relevance and some credibility. Some sources are cited and referenced. The candidate shows some empathy with alternative perspectives or arguments and partially justifies disagreement with these perspectives, without finding a compromise between them. The candidate's conclusion, or personal perspective is based partly on the evidence, reasoning or personal reflection presented which provides a partial answer to the question posed.

1	1–8	The presentation lacks a single focus or has limited relevance to the source material. The presentation lacks structure and makes arguments which are limited , with limited lines of reasoning and judgements which lack support. The candidate shows limited reflection on the global issues or perspectives with little sympathy and based on limited research. A limited range of sources has been used , most of which lack relevance and/or credibility. Few sources are cited and referenced. The candidate shows limited empathy with alternative perspectives and/or arguments and lacks justification for any disagreement with these perspectives. The candidate's conclusion or personal perspective is limited and lacks evidence, reasoning and personal reflection. The presentation provides a limited answer to the question posed.
0	0	No creditworthy material has been submitted.

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