



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Level Examination
June 2011

Government and Politics

GOV3C

Unit 3C Politics and Power

Monday 13 June 2011 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-page answer book.

Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Examining Body** for this paper is AQA. The **Paper Reference** is GOV3C.
- Choose **two** topics and answer **both** questions in each topic.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Advice

- You are advised to read through the examination paper before you attempt the questions.
- You are advised to spend the same amount of time on each topic.

Choose **two** topics and answer **both** questions in each topic.

Each topic carries 40 marks.

Topic 1 Power in Modern Society

0 | 1 Examine the factors that confer legitimacy upon a government. *(10 marks)*

0 | 2 'It is better that politicians hold to their principles than modify them so as to gain power.' Discuss. *(30 marks)*

Topic 2 Executive Power

0 | 3 Present the case for a collegiate form of government. *(10 marks)*

0 | 4 'Modern executives are forever under a threat of domination by officials.' Discuss. *(30 marks)*

Topic 3 Political Culture

0 | 5 Explain the concept of deference. *(10 marks)*

0 | 6 Analyse the factors that shape a political culture. *(30 marks)*

Topic 4 Britain in Europe

0 | 7 Explain why the system of qualified majority voting (QMV) is used in the Council of Ministers. *(10 marks)*

0 | 8 'Not all institutions of the European Union (EU) operate in the interests of supranationalism.' Discuss. *(30 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS