

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS

Advanced Subsidiary GCE

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

2596

Politics of the UK

Tuesday

6 JUNE 2006

Afternoon

1 hour

Additional materials:
8-page Answer Booklet

TIME 1 hour

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- If you use more than one sheet of paper, fasten the sheets together.
- Answers should be written in continuous prose.
- You must use your own knowledge and the source material in your answers.

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 will be awarded marks for the quality of your written communication including clarity of expression, structure and presentation of ideas, spelling, punctuation and grammar.

This question paper consists of 2 printed pages.

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Read the source material and answer all the questions.

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An extract explaining how the law protects people from unfair treatment, be it by the government or by an employer

Source B

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An extract explaining ways in which current political parties are modernising their methods for electing leaders and reconsidering the relationship between the public and the private sector

- 1 Briefly explain the role and powers of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (the Ombudsman). [10]
- 2 Describe four core beliefs of New Labour under Tony Blair. [20]
- 3 Discuss the role of the courts (UK and European) in the redress of grievances. [30]
- 4 Discuss whether the selection process for the Labour leader and Conservative leader is democratic. [40]

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