

GCE A level

1404/02

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS – GP4b Challenges in Contemporary Politics

P.M. TUESDAY, 29 January 2013 1½ hours

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

In addition to this examination paper, you will need a 12 page answer book.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Answer any **TWO** questions.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The maximum mark for this paper is 80.

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

The time you spend on a question should be in proportion to the marks available.

You are reminded that assessment will take into account the quality of written communication used in answers that involve extended writing (part (b) questions).

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Answer two questions.

Each question is worth 40 marks.

Choose **TWO** *of the questions that follow, and answer both parts, (a) and (b), for both the questions that you choose.*

1. Globalisation

- (a) Explain the main difficulties facing the United Nations in the modern world. [10]
- (b) Analyse the claim that globalisation is simply a modern form of economic, cultural and political imperialism. [30]

2. Environmentalism

- (a) Explain why international agreement on action against climate change is difficult to achieve. [10]
- (b) 'Environmentalism is essentially a form of anarchy, and is in direct opposition to other ideologies.' Discuss. [30]

3. Feminism

- (a) Explain the importance of the concept of the public/private divide in feminism. [10]
- (b) Critically evaluate the view that feminism is characterised more by disagreement than by agreement. [30]

4. Multiculturalism

- (a) Explain the importance of language within multiculturalism. [10]
- (b) Assess whether multiculturalism is compatible with stability and cohesion within society. [30]