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General Certificate of Secondary Education June 2011

Citizenship Studies

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Unit 1

Wednesday 18 May 2011 9.00 am to 10.00 am

You will need no other materials.

Time allowed

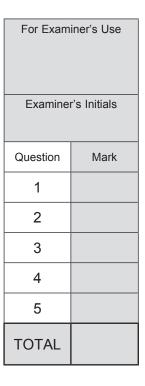
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Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- This paper is divided into two sections.
 - In **Section A**, answer **all** questions.
 - In **Section B**, answer **one** question.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- Do all rough work in this 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 40.





Section A

Answer **all** parts of the questions in this section.

This section carries 20 marks.

You are advised to spend approximately 30 minutes on this section.

	Total for this question: 10	marks
1 (a)	Give one reason why some pressure groups seek celebrity support.	
	(1	mark)
1 (b)	Identify a campaign where you would need to convince a local council to change i views.	its
	(1	mark)
1 (c)	Identify one national campaign that is currently concerned with the rights of UK circ	tizens.
	(1	mark)
1 (d)	What is a charity?	
	(1	mark)
1 (e)	Give one reason why the House of Commons is more powerful than the House of	Lords.
	(1	mark)



1 (f)	Identify one reason why internet-based campaigning is becoming more popular.	
	(1	mark)
1 (g)	What is a boycott?	
	(1	mark)
1 (h)	Explain the term <i>lobbying</i> .	
	(1	mark)
1 (i)	Identify one example of how health and safety regulations have improved safety i workplace.	n the
	(1	mark)
1 (j)	What do you understand by the phrase equal pay?	
	(1	mark)

Turn over for the next question



Total for this question: 10 marks

2 Read **Sources A** and **B** and answer the questions which follow.

Source A

Government orders council cuts

As part of the UK government's ongoing policy to reduce its debt and borrowing, the Chancellor of the Exchequer has announced that the grant to local councils will be cut. This cut will be 15% next year and a further 15% the following year.

The Chancellor said, "All aspects of government spending have been facing cuts: local government and its services cannot be exempt."

Source B

Council protests at scale of cuts

A Local Government spokesperson on behalf of all local councils stated, "These cuts will have a devastating impact upon both services and employment within local government. We are unable to raise council tax to make up this loss and over 60% of our income comes from central government grants. These cuts will be deep and impact upon all local government services. They will damage our ability to provide services to the vulnerable and those in need, especially the young and the elderly. Many councils will have to review thoroughly how they deliver their services. This could lead to many front-line workers in local government losing their jobs. Local people rely upon their local councils to meet many of their everyday needs."

2 (a)	Outline three main services provided by local government.
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	(3 marks)



How might the cuts suggested in Sources A and B affect local communities?
(3 marks)
'Some people argue that it would be better if local government services were provided by private firms.'
Present a case for keeping local government.
(4 marks)
Extra space



Section B

Answer Question 3 **or** Question 4 **or** Question 5.

Each question comprises three parts.

This section carries 20 marks.

You are advised to spend approximately 30 minutes on this section.

Total for this question: 20 marks

3 Being a Citizen in the UK: Democracy and Identity – Voting and general elections

Read Sources C and D and answer parts (a), (b) and (c) which follow.

Source C

	2010 gener	ral election resu	ılts table	
	Conservative Party	Labour Party	Liberal Democrat Party	Others
Number of MPs	307	258	57	28
% of the vote	36.1	29	23	11.9

Turnout of voters: 65.1%

Source D

Government encourages citizens to vote

Since the 1997 general election, the government has been concerned about low turnout at elections in the UK. It appears that voters are growing increasingly apathetic about voting. Polling hours have been changed for some local elections and in some places 100% postal voting has been introduced. In future, voters may be allowed to vote at supermarkets. Many say that, if democracy is so important, voting should be made compulsory, as it is in some other countries.

ir vote in a UK general election.
(2 marks)



3 (b)	Identify three reasons why some people want to change the way in which we elect MPs to the Westminster parliament.
	(6 marks)
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3 (c)	Make a case for and against making voting compulsory in UK general elections.





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Total for this question: 20 marks

4 Fairness and Justice – Courts, decisions and punishments

Read Sources E and F and answer parts (a), (b) and (c) which follow.

Source E

Civil court quashes £8000 credit card debt

A County Court judge has decided that a woman was charged thousands of pounds by her credit card company for an insurance policy she never asked for. The woman said she was treated badly by the company: "I ticked 'no' on the insurance option box but the company took the money anyway." The company also kept increasing her credit limit. The company took the woman to court for her credit card debt of over £8000. The judge decided that the insurance charges had been unfairly imposed and threw out the rest of the company's case against the woman.

Source: adapted from the Daily Telegraph, 1 October 2009

Source F

'Asbro' brothers jailed

Three brothers who earned the nickname of 'The Asbros' after terrorising their neighbours for years have finally been jailed for stealing a car to celebrate New Year.

The brothers plagued their neighbours for years with abuse, violence, drugs, assault, intimidation, theft and vandalism.

The brothers have appeared in court many times for dozens of offences and have been given multiple Anti-Social Behaviour Orders (ASBOs).

The three brothers were jailed for a total of 31 months after they admitted other offences at the Crown Court.

The judge said, "You showed no understanding or recognition of the impact on your victims. The courage of the members of the public who volunteered to give evidence against you needs to be recognised."

She also thanked the jury, made up of local people, for doing their civic duty.

Source: adapted from the Daily Telegraph, 26 February 2010

4 (a)	Using Sources E and F and your own knowledge, identify one way in which a court case is different from a criminal court case.	civil
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'Some cases are too complicated to be decided by a jury. The judge should decide the verdict.' Present a case for or against this point of view.



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Total for this question: 20 marks

5 Global Issues and Making a Difference – International conflict and its resolution

Read Sources G and H and answer parts (a), (b) and (c) which follow.

Source G

The United Nations and peacekeeping

The first United Nations (UN) peacekeeping mission was in 1948. Since then, there have been 63 UN peacekeeping operations around the world. It was set up to deal with inter-state conflicts. It now finds itself dealing mostly with civil wars. Although military forces are involved, these operations now also involve administrators, economists, police officers, legal experts, human rights and election experts.

Source H

The war in Afghanistan

There are currently nearly 150 000 foreign troops under NATO and US command, supporting the western-backed Afghanistan government, army and police forces. These troops are involved in fighting the Taliban and its supporters.

Recent elections held in Afghanistan were heavily criticised as vote-rigging was alleged.

President Obama recently visited the country and told the government that much of the corruption and financial mismanagement within the government and at a local level had to stop.

America first sent troops to Afghanistan to overthrow the former Taliban government for its support of terrorist groups associated with the 9/11 attacks in America.

The foreign troops are also assisting with the reconstruction of the country.

Some countries are now reducing their troop commitment or withdrawing their troops altogether. In many countries, there are active campaigns to seek the withdrawal of foreign troops from Afghanistan.

5 (a)	Identify one reason why international conflict occurs.
	(2 marks)



5 (b)	Why might some citizens and groups oppose military action being taken in international conflicts such as Afghanistan?		
	(6 marks)		
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5 (c)	Explain the role of international bodies in trying to resolve a conflict that you have studied.		



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