



GCE A level

1403/02

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

UNIT GP3b

POLITICAL IDEOLOGIES

A.M. TUESDAY, 24 January 2012

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).

*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. Liberalism

- (a) Explain liberal views on the role of the state. [10]
- (b) Evaluate the view that by celebrating individualism, liberalism denies any important role to society. [30]

2. Socialism

- (a) Explain why class conflict is important in the development of socialism. [10]
- (b) ‘Socialism is dead and the obituaries have been written.’ Assess the accuracy of this view of socialism today. [30]

3. Conservatism

- (a) Explain the importance of private property in modern conservatism. [10]
- (b) Analyse the extent to which the New Right has undermined traditional conservatism. [30]

4. Nationalism

- (a) Explain the importance of national self-determination to nationalists. [10]
- (b) ‘Nationalism is irrelevant in a global and international world.’ Discuss. [30]