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## WORLD CULTURES STANDARD LEVEL PAPER 1

Monday 9 May 2005 (afternoon)

2 hours

## INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer one question from Section 1A and one question from Section 1B.

## **SECTION 1A**

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All questions in this section refer to the prescribed topics of part 1A of the syllabus:

The Kingdom of Benin (c1500-1900 CE) Native Americans of the Pacific Northwest The USA in the 1950s Japan during the Tokugawa Shogunate China under the Ming (1364-1644CE) and Qing (1644 – 1911/12CE) dynasties Australian aborigines The Renaissance in Europe The European avant-garde (1900–1950CE) Egypt: the Amarna period, its origins and heritage Medieval India (500–1500CE)

Answer **one** question from this section. Specific reference must be made to works of art and other cultural phenomena in more than one of the prescribed topics you have studied.

- 1. Show how religious and philosophical views have been a vital stimulus to the production of art.
- 2. Choose representative works of art and show how they are characteristic products of their cultures.
- **3.** Show how in some cultures the commission and possession of works of art are a demonstration of power and authority.
- 4. Discuss how works of art and other cultural phenomena express significant changes in the values, beliefs and practices of cultures.
- 5. Explain why in some cultures there is a distinction between élite and popular art, and in some cultures there is not.

## **SECTION 1B**

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Answer **one** question from this section, using examples from more than one culture that you have studied.

- 6. Discuss the role of ideas and social movements in cultural diffusion.
- 7. When cultures meet something always happens. Discuss how this is reflected in works of art and other cultural phenomena.
- **8.** Are all cultures a result of cultural fusion?
- 9. Examine the connection between culture and violence, domination and war.