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MODERN STUDIES
STANDARD GRADE
General Level

- 1 Read every question carefully.
- 2 Answer all questions as fully as you can.
- 3 If you cannot do a question, go on to the next one. Try again later.
- 4 In question 3, answer **one** section only: Section (A) The USA **or** Section (B) China.
- 5 Write your answers in the answer book provided. Indicate clearly, in the left hand margin, the question and section of question being answered. Do not write in the right hand margin.



SYLLABUS AREA 1—LIVING IN A DEMOCRACY

QUESTION 1

(a)



Candidates and their supporters campaign in many ways before an election.

Describe **two** ways in which candidates and their supporters campaign **before** an election.

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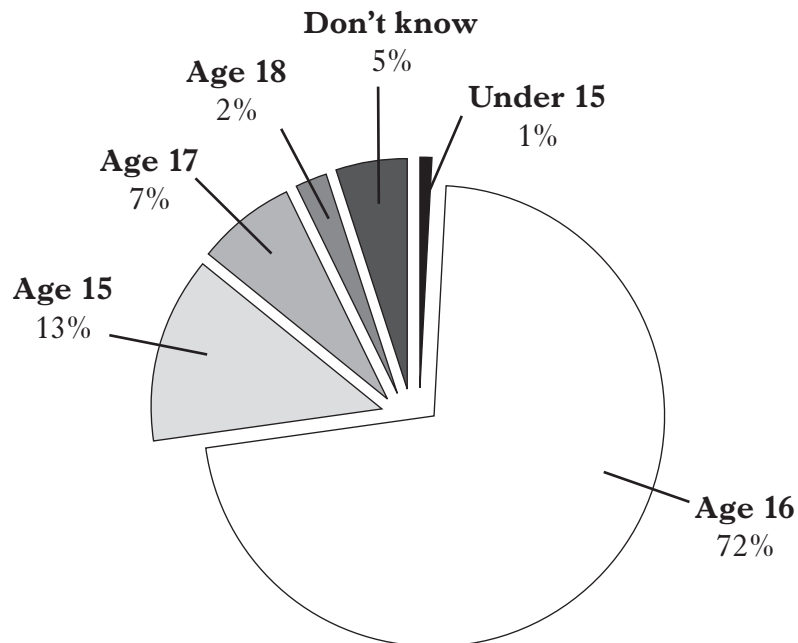
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QUESTION 1 (CONTINUED)

(b) Study Sources 1 and 2 below, then answer the question which follows.

SOURCE 1

Opinion Poll — At what age should Scots be allowed to vote?



SOURCE 2

Voting Age and Voter Turnout

Country	Minimum Voting Age	Voter Turnout
Austria	16	79%
Brazil	16	83%
Canada	18	60%
UK	18	61%
USA	18	57%

Write down **two** conclusions about voting age.

You should write **one** conclusion **with evidence** about **each** of the following.

- The age that most people think Scots should be allowed to vote.
- The link between Minimum Voting Age and Voter Turnout.

Your answer **must** be based entirely on the Sources above.

(Enquiry Skills, 4 marks)

QUESTION 1 (CONTINUED)

(c) Trade Union members have both *rights* and *responsibilities*.



Describe **one** right and **one** responsibility that trade union members have.

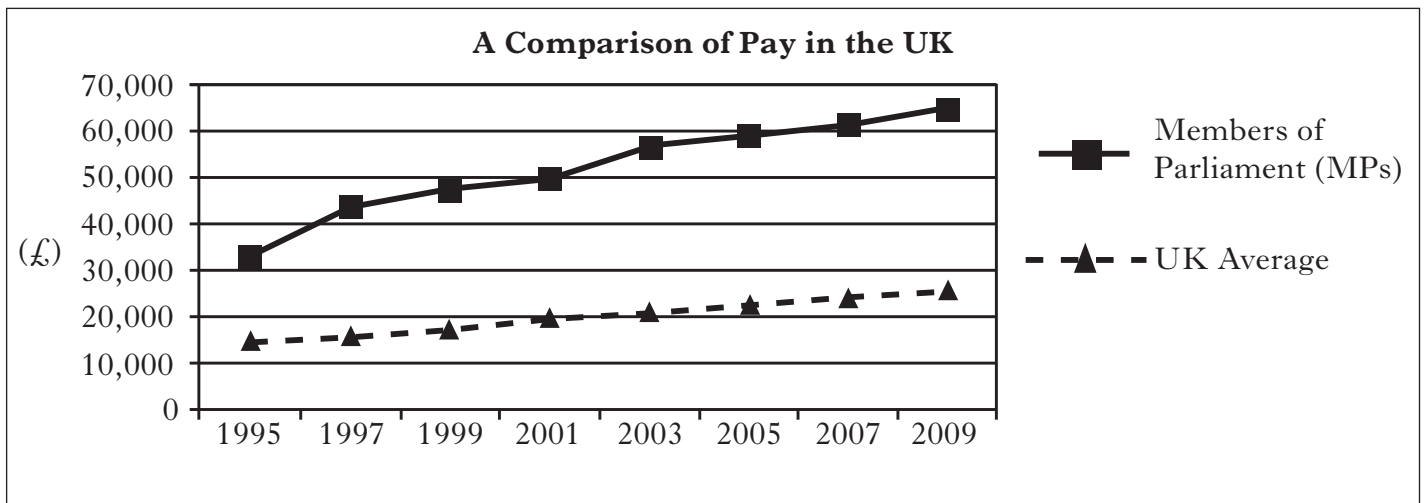
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(Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks)

QUESTION 1 (CONTINUED)

(d) Study Sources 1 and 2 below, then answer the question which follows.

SOURCE 1



SOURCE 2

MPs' Expenses Row

MPs are paid a salary but are also allowed to claim money to cover expenses. For example, in 2009, they could claim £24,000 so that they could afford to live in London and over £100,000 to pay for office staff.

In 2009, The Daily Telegraph published a story about MPs' expenses. Amongst other things, the newspaper revealed that two MPs had broken the rules by claiming money for houses they no longer owned.

However, most MPs showed that they could only do their job properly because they received these expenses.

Statements made by Chloe Carstairs

- MPs' pay has increased every year.
- MPs are allowed to claim expenses to employ staff.
- MPs' pay is similar to the average pay in the UK.
- All MPs' claims for expenses were shown to be within the rules.

Using **only** Sources 1 and 2 above, write down **two** statements made by Chloe Carstairs which are **exaggerated**.

Using the information in the Sources, give **one** reason why **each** of the statements you have chosen is **exaggerated**.

(Enquiry Skills, 4 marks)

SYLLABUS AREA 2—CHANGING SOCIETY

QUESTION 2

- (a) *Unemployed people in the UK have many **needs**.*

Describe **two needs** that unemployed people in the UK have.

(Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks)

- (b) Study the information about Bill Laird below and the plan of Craigloch on *Page seven*, then answer the question which follows.

Information about Bill Laird and his needs

Bill is 80 years old, and lives alone in a big house in the town of Craigloch. He is keen to move to a smaller house.

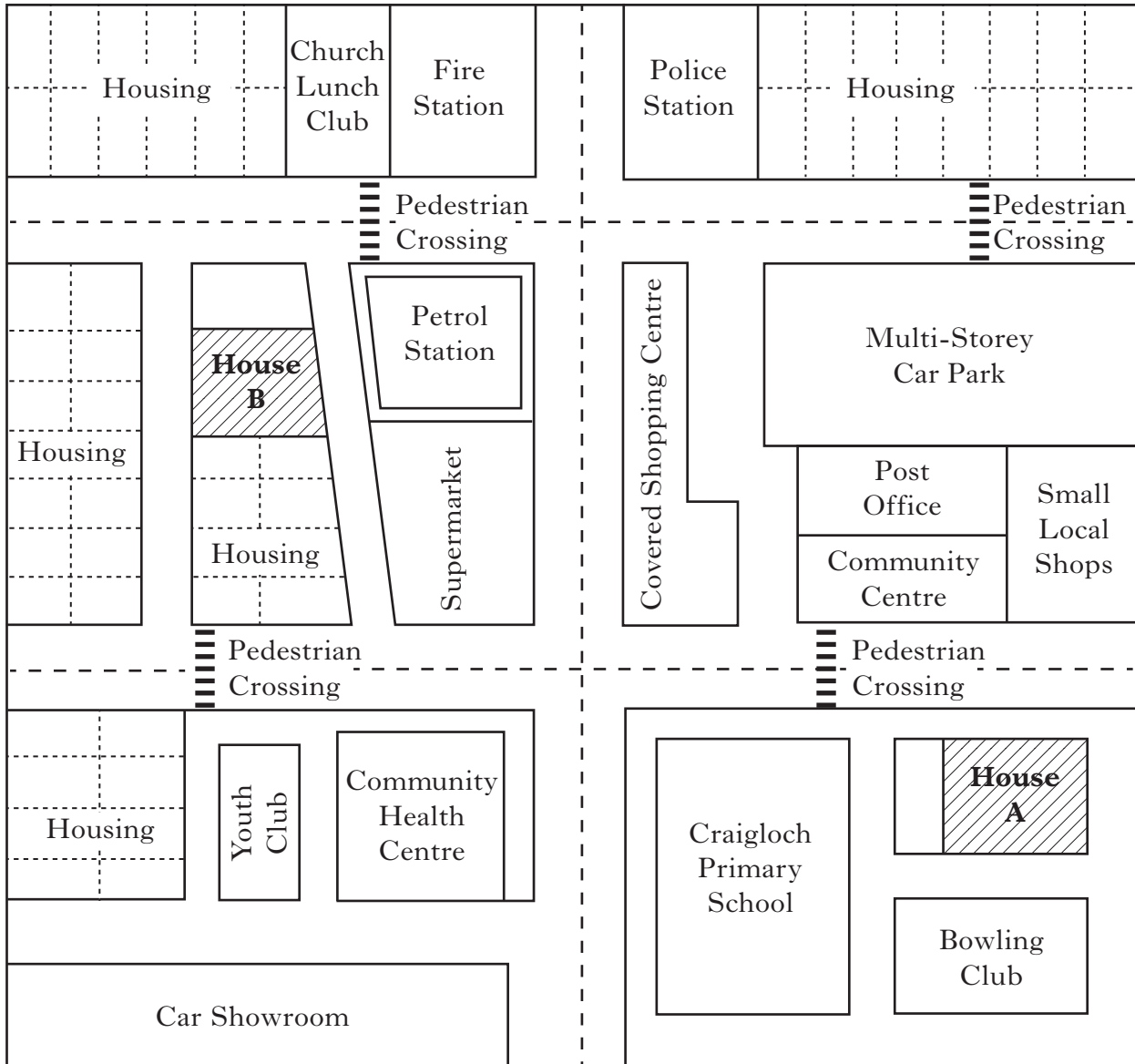
Bill has a number of **needs** which are important to him.

- He needs to visit the Post Office to collect his pension and pay bills.
- Bill needs to visit the Community Nurse after suffering a mild heart attack recently.
- He needs to feel safe as his house was broken into recently and he is frightened it will happen again.
- Bill has friends from his working days and he needs to continue seeing them. He would like to be able to go out for lunch nearby with them occasionally.

QUESTION 2 (b) (CONTINUED)

Bill has been to see the two houses shown in the plan below, but is not sure whether the **location** of **House A** or **House B** would better meet his needs.

PLAN OF CRAIGLOCH



Using **only** the information in the plan above, decide which house, **House A** or **House B**, would be the **better** choice for Bill Laird to **meet his needs**.

You **must** link the information about Bill Laird to the house you have chosen.

Give **two** reasons to **support** your decision.

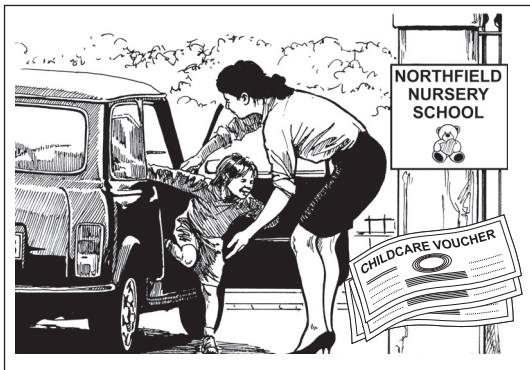
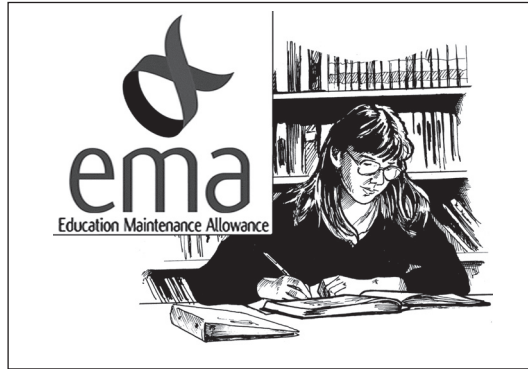
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QUESTION 2 (CONTINUED)

(c) *The Government provides help for families.*

Government Help for Families (2010)



	A	B	C
1	Monthly Family Budget		
2			
3	Incomings	Outgoings	
4			
5	Pay - £800	Petrol - £160	
6	Child Benefit - £80	Supermarket - £400	
7	Tax Credit - £60	Phone/Broadband - £30	
8			
9			
10			
11			

Give **two ways** in which the Government provides help for families.

Choose **one** of these **ways** and explain why the Government gives this help.

To answer this question, you may wish to use the drawings above.

(Knowledge and Understanding, **4** marks)

QUESTION 2 (CONTINUED)

(d) Study Sources 1 and 2 below, then answer the question which follows.

SOURCE 1

Low Pay and Ethnic Groups

Whites are the largest ethnic group in the UK. There are big variations in pay between the various ethnic groups. For example, more than half of people from the Bangladeshi and Pakistani communities are in low paid employment. The percentage of people on low pay from an Indian background is 28% whilst for Whites it is 20%. The figure for Black Africans is 46% whilst for Black Caribbeans it is 30%.

SOURCE 2

Unemployment Rate by Ethnic Group (%)

	2007	2009
Bangladeshi	12.5	13.2
Black African	10.2	11.9
Black Caribbean	10.0	13.0
Indian	5.2	7.8
Pakistani	14.0	14.3
White	4.5	5.8

Whites have fewer people on low pay than any other ethnic group. The biggest rise in unemployment between 2007 and 2009 was amongst people from the Pakistani community.

View of Asif Khan

Using **only** the information above, give **one** reason to **support** and **one** reason to **oppose** the view of Asif Khan.

(Enquiry Skills, 4 marks)

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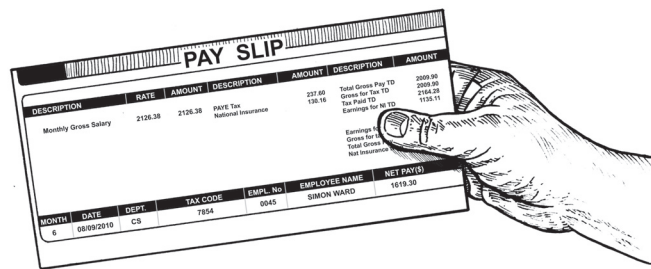
SYLLABUS AREA 3—IDEOLOGIES

QUESTION 3

Answer **ONE** section only: Section (A)—The USA on pages *ten to thirteen*
OR Section (B)—China on pages *fourteen to seventeen*

(A) THE USA

(a) *Not all American citizens are equal.*



Give **two** ways in which American citizens are not equal.

For **one** of these ways, explain why *not all American citizens are equal*.

In your answer, you **must** use American examples.

To answer this question, you may wish to use the drawings above.

(Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks)

QUESTION 3 (A) (CONTINUED)

(b) Study Sources 1 and 2 below, then answer the question which follows.

SOURCE 1

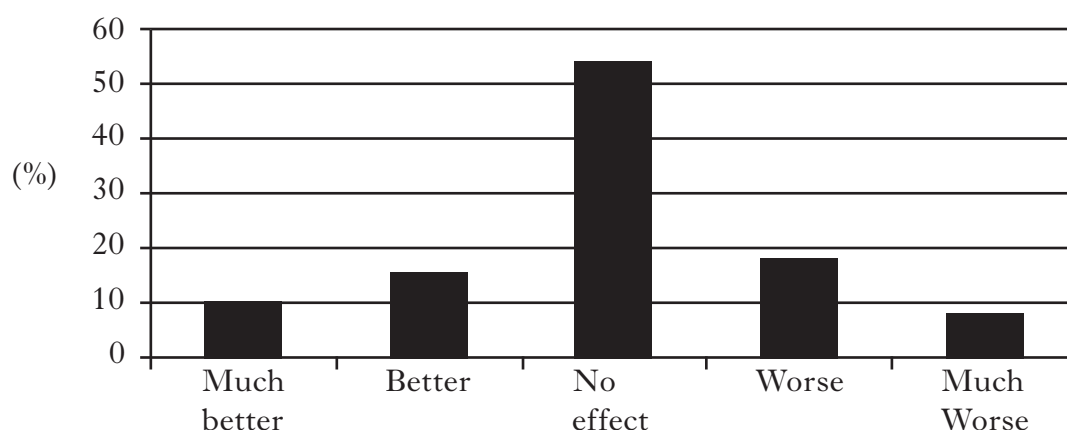
Between 2000 and 2010, the American people saw the biggest change in unemployment for many years. In 2000, the figure was 4.0% while in 2010, it was 10.0%. One of the effects of unemployment was that many Americans lost their houses as they could not afford to pay for them.

In 2009, President Obama signed the “American Recovery and Reinvestment Act”, which was a plan to spend \$539 billion to help the country recover. The government believes that these measures have already helped the economy to improve as the number of companies closing down has fallen.

SOURCE 2

Opinion Poll of American Citizens

Question: Have President Obama’s policies made the USA economy better or worse?



Statements made by Paul Douglas

- The link between unemployment and losing your house is very strong.
- The majority of people agree that President Obama is doing a good job with the economy.
- A minority of people think that President Obama has made the economy much worse.
- The “American Recovery and Reinvestment Act” has not helped the economy.

Using **only** Sources 1 and 2 above, write down **two** statements made by Paul Douglas which are **exaggerated**.

Using the information in the Sources, give **one** reason why **each** of the statements you have chosen is **exaggerated**.

(Enquiry Skills, 4 marks)

QUESTION 3 (A) (CONTINUED)

- (c) *American citizens can use the media to influence the decisions of the American Government.*



Describe **two** ways in which *American citizens* can use the media to influence the decisions of the American Government.

In your answer, you **must** use American examples.

To answer this question, you may wish to use the drawing above.

(Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks)

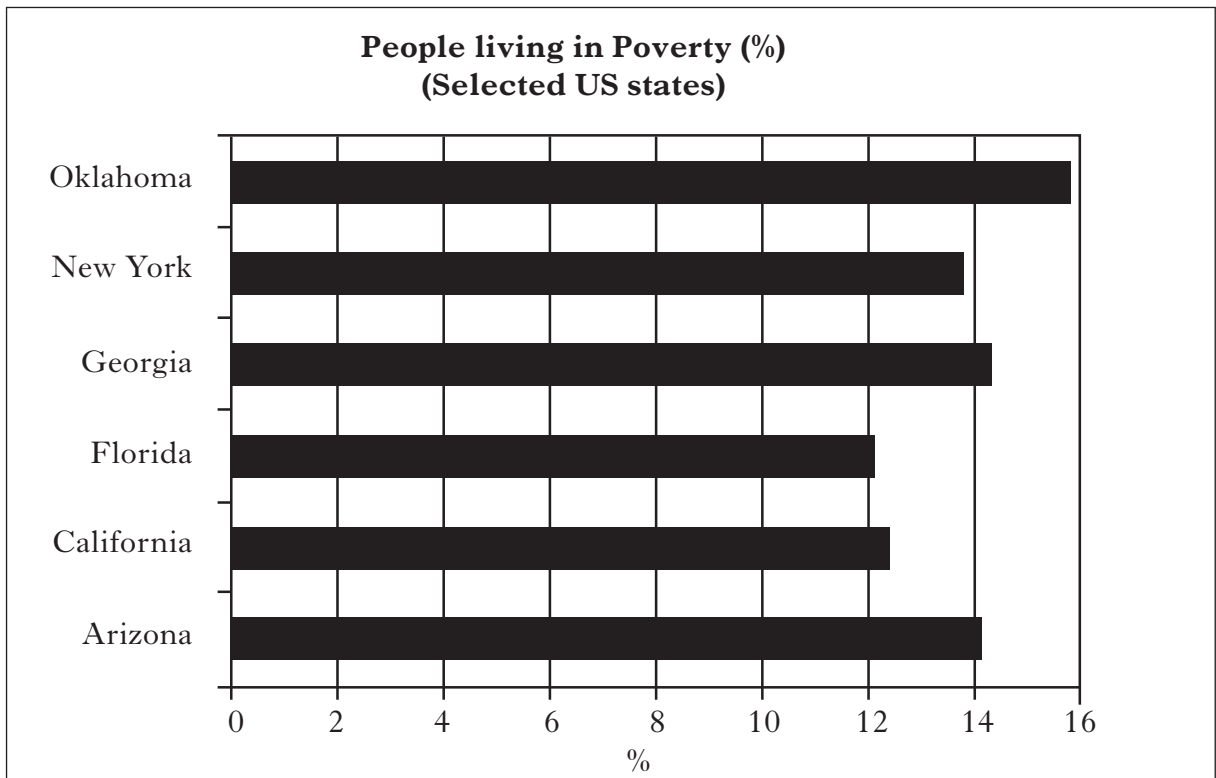
QUESTION 3 (A) (CONTINUED)

(d) Study Sources 1 and 2 below, then answer the question which follows.

SOURCE 1

State	Ethnic Minority Owned Businesses (%)		
	Asian	Black	Hispanic
Arizona	2·7	1·7	9·2
California	12·8	3·9	14·7
Florida	2·7	6·6	17·3
Georgia	4·0	13·2	2·7
New York	8·5	7·6	9·6
Oklahoma	1·6	2·6	1·9

SOURCE 2



California has the highest percentage of Hispanic owned businesses. California and Florida are the two states with the lowest percentages of people in poverty.

View of Drew Laburn

Using **only** Source 1 and Source 2 above, give **one** reason to **support** and **one** reason to **oppose** the view of Drew Laburn.

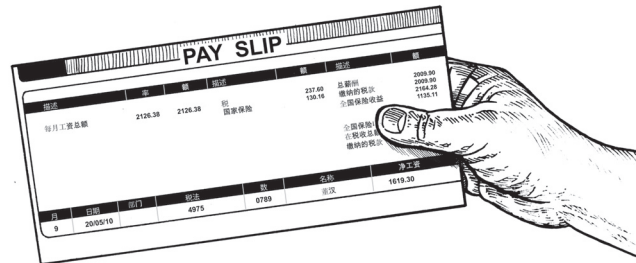
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QUESTION 3 (CONTINUED)

(B) CHINA

(a) *Not all Chinese citizens are equal.*



Give **two** ways in which Chinese citizens are not equal.

For **one** of these ways, explain why *not all Chinese citizens are equal*.

In your answer, you **must** use Chinese examples.

To answer this question, you may wish to use the drawings above.

(Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks)

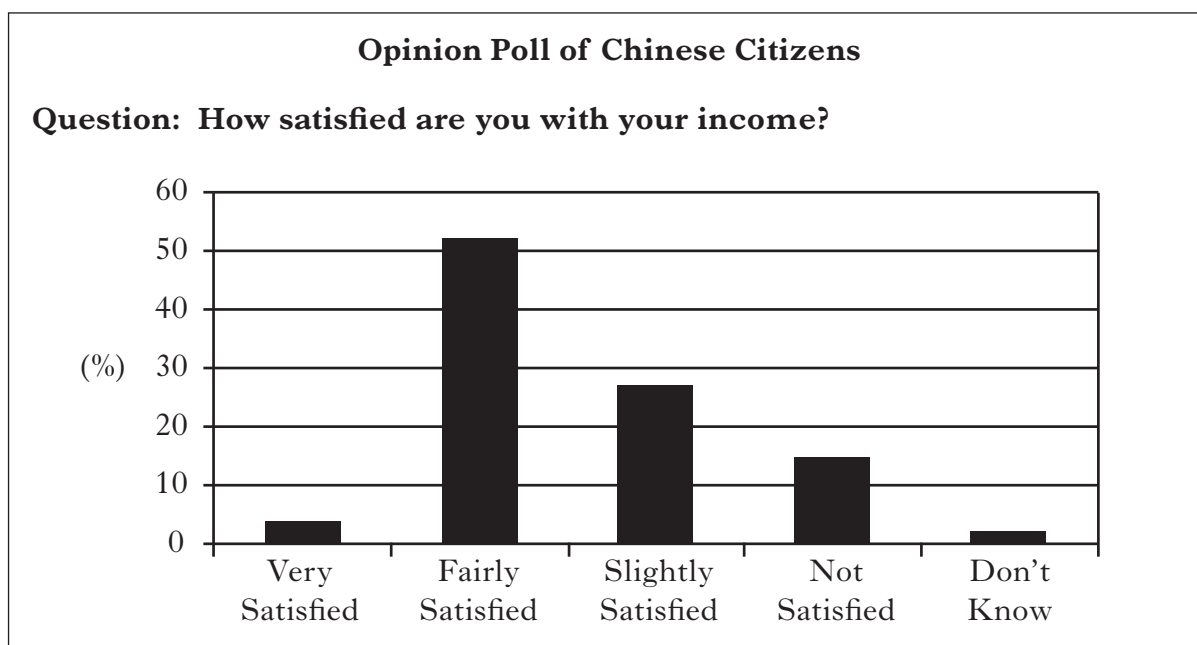
QUESTION 3 (B) (CONTINUED)

(b) Study Sources 1 and 2 below, then answer the question which follows.

SOURCE 1

Since the world recession, around 20 million rural migrants have returned home to the countryside. There are no longer jobs for them in China's coastal cities. However, it is not only migrant workers who are struggling to find jobs. In China, 32% of the 6.11 million graduates have not yet found work. The Chinese Government has promised to do what it can to tackle the problem of unemployment. It is planning to spend \$585 billion to try to help the country's economy recover.

SOURCE 2



Statements made by Amy Yip

- The Chinese Government has promised to spend large amounts of money to help the economy.
- Few rural migrants are returning home to the countryside to work.
- A small percentage of Chinese people are very satisfied with their income.
- The majority of people surveyed are not satisfied with their income.

Using **only** Sources 1 and 2 above, write down **two** statements made by Amy Yip which are **exaggerated**.

Using the information in the Sources, give **one** reason why **each** of the statements you have chosen is **exaggerated**.

(Enquiry Skills, 4 marks)

QUESTION 3 (B) (CONTINUED)

(c) *Chinese people who criticise their government can find themselves in major trouble.*



Describe **two** actions which the Chinese Government might take to deal with those who criticise the Government.

In your answer, you **must** use Chinese examples.

To answer this question, you may wish to use the drawings above.

(Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks)

QUESTION 3 (B) (CONTINUED)

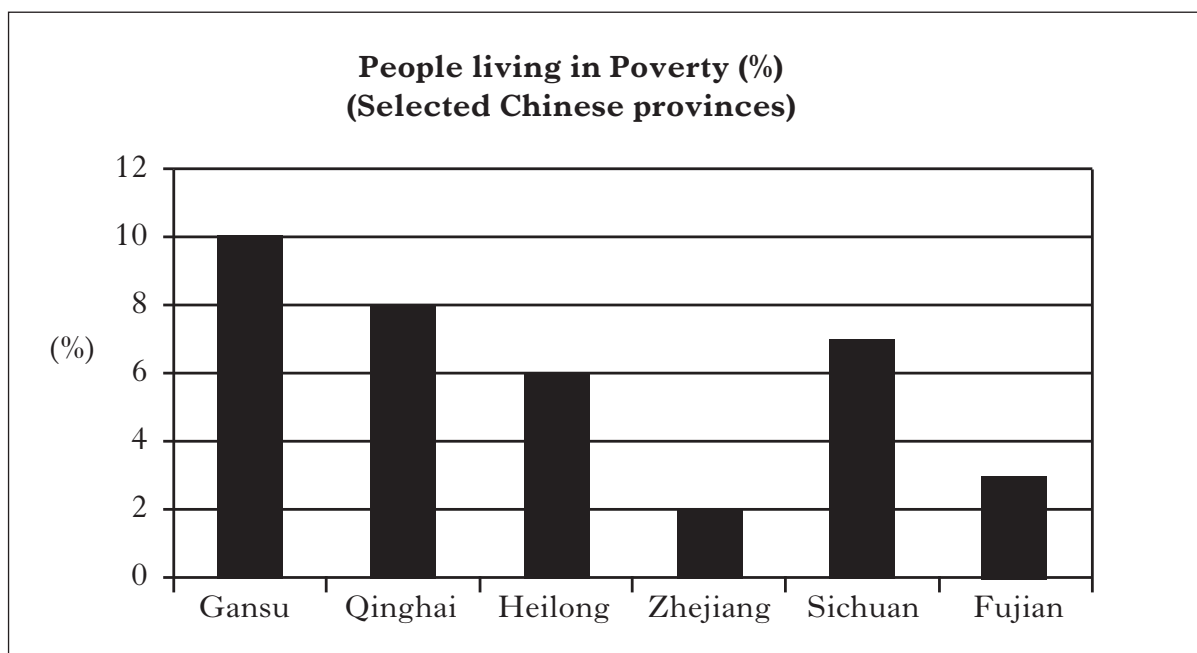
(d) Study Sources 1 and 2 below, then answer the question which follows.

SOURCE 1

Selected data on Chinese provinces

Province	Value of foreign trade (\$ billion)	Average income per person (Yuan)	Pupils completing junior secondary school (%)
Gansu	1.33	12,000	25
Qinghai	0.26	17,000	23
Heilong	1.52	22,000	35
Zhejiang	6.68	42,000	93
Sichuan	1.0	15,000	32
Fujian	2.6	30,000	85

SOURCE 2



Gansu and Sichuan have the biggest percentage of people living in poverty. The province with the greatest level of foreign trade also has the highest average income and the highest percentage of pupils completing junior secondary school.

View of Jinqiu Zou

Using **only** Source 1 and Source 2 above, give **one** reason to **support** and **one** reason to **oppose** the view of Jinqiu Zou.

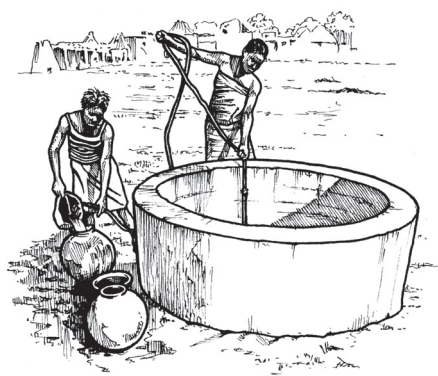
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SYLLABUS AREA 4—INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

QUESTION 4

(a) **United Nations projects helping some African countries.**



Choose **two** of the United Nations projects shown above.

Describe how **each of the projects you have chosen** can help to meet the needs of some people in Africa.

(Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks)

QUESTION 4 (CONTINUED)

(b) Study Sources 1 and 2 below, then answer the question which follows.

The War in Afghanistan (2009)

SOURCE 1

VIEW OF LYNSEY LEWIS

When the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF), backed by NATO, was sent to Afghanistan, it was NATO's first operation outside Europe.

As of October 2009, ISAF had 67,700 troops from 42 different countries in Afghanistan. The largest contributing nations are the USA with 32,000 troops and the UK with 9000 troops.

NATO has brought peace and stability to the government of Afghanistan. It is also involved in training the Afghan National Army.

It is hoped that in the near future much of the Taliban's funding which comes from the trade in heroin will stop as ISAF takes back the areas where the illegal production of heroin is based.

SOURCE 2

VIEW OF KIRSTY GRAHAM

The number of ISAF troops has grown from 5000 to almost 68,000. This International Security Assistance Force is the first time NATO has sent combat troops outside Europe.

Although many NATO members have sent equipment to help, only a few countries have sent troops.

The UK and the USA remain the largest contributors of troops. Some of these troops are training the Afghan army to fight the Taliban. So far, NATO hasn't managed to stop the Taliban's civil war against the Afghan Government.

One of the main sources of income for the Taliban is the trade in heroin. The Taliban control much of the territory where the heroin is produced.

Sources 1 and 2 give different views about **NATO's forces in Afghanistan**.

Write down **two** differences between these views.

You **must** only use information from the Sources above.

(Enquiry Skills, 4 marks)

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QUESTION 4 (CONTINUED)



You are investigating the topic in the box below.

WAR IN AFRICA

Answer questions (c), (d) and (e) which follow.

(c) As part of the **Planning Stage**, give **two** relevant **aims** for your investigation.

(Enquiry Skills, 2 marks)

Mrs Watt, a teacher in your school, has just come back from a visit to the African country of Sudan. You decide to interview her for your investigation into “War in Africa”.



(d) Give **two** advantages of an interview as a way of finding out information for your investigation.

(Enquiry Skills, 2 marks)

After the interview with Mrs Watt, she gives you a website address.

When you go to the website you find the webpage opposite.

QUESTION 4 (CONTINUED)

(e) Use the website page below to answer the question which follows.

Microsoft Internet Explorer
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Back Forward Stop Refresh Home Search Favorites History Mail Print Edit
Address www.focusonafrica.com Go Links

FOCUS ON AFRICA Headlines and stories from across the continent

Statistics of the week

	Somalia	Sierra Leone	Sudan	DR Congo
Population	10 million	6.5 million	41 million	69 million
Average Income	\$600	\$700	\$2200	\$300
War refugees	1.1 million	0.027 million	5.6 million	1.6 million
Life expectancy	50 years	41 years	51 years	48 years

This week's issues
(click the links below)

Education in Angola
A report on the new primary school campaign having so much success in Angola.

AIDS in Zimbabwe
A look at the health education programme in Zimbabwe.

Child soldiers
The scandal of children forced to become soldiers in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

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Internet

Give **two** ways in which you could use the website page to help with your investigation into “War in Africa”.

For **each** way, explain why it would be a **good** way to help you with your investigation.

(Enquiry Skills, 4 marks)

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