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GENERAL PAPER

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Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer **two** questions.

Each question must be taken from a **different** section.

Use examples to support your arguments.

Each answer should be about 500–600 words in length. Short answers may score lower marks.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

All questions in this paper carry equal marks.

This document consists of **2** printed pages.



Each essay should be 500 – 600 words long. Use examples to support your arguments.

Section 1

- 1 To what extent does **your** country's constitution uphold and promote human rights?
- 2 To what extent are racism and other forms of discrimination a problem in **your** society?
- 3 Nelson Mandela wrote 'The real heroes are men and women who are friends of the poorest of the poor.' To what extent do you agree?
- 4 'As well as instructing and convincing, history should be thrilling and delightful.' How far do you agree with this proposition?
- 5 Have revolutions ever made the world a better place? Examine **two** revolutions in support of your view.

Section 2

- 6 How far is it true that the Earth's geology subjects our civilisations to dramatic change without notice?
- 7 Considering the problems facing **your** region's agriculture, how effective are farm and land management in coping with these difficulties?
- 8 'Mathematics can reveal the beauty and order of the world.' How is your understanding of the world enhanced by mathematics?
- 9 'Human migration is solely determined by economic considerations.' How far do you agree?
- 10 How far is it the duty of couples to limit the number of children they have?

Section 3

- 11 Photography is both skilful and creative. Explain why this is true.
- 12 How far, in your opinion, can communication be achieved through dance and/or drama?
- 13 Discuss the appeal of science fiction films.
- 14 What do you consider to be a 'good read', and why? Refer to at least **two** novels with which you are familiar.
- 15 Why do human beings of **all** ages feel the need to play?

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