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# **NATIONAL POLITICS**

## Written examination

**Thursday 15 November 2007** 

Reading time: 11.45 am to 12.00 noon (15 minutes) Writing time: 12.00 noon to 2.00 pm (2 hours)

### **QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK**

#### Structure of book

Section	Number of questions	Number of questions to be answered	Number of marks
A	4	4	40
В	2	1	20
C	2	1	20
			Total 80

- Students are permitted to bring into the examination room: pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners and rulers.
- Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: blank sheets of paper and/or white out liquid/tape.
- No calculator is allowed in this examination.

### Materials supplied

- Question and answer book of 20 pages.
- Additional space is available at the end of the book if you need extra paper to complete an answer.

#### **Instructions**

- Write your **student number** in the space provided above on this page.
- All written responses must be in English.

Students are NOT permitted to bring mobile phones and/or any other unauthorised electronic devices into the examination room.

## SECTION A - Short answer questions

## **Instructions for Section A**

Answer all questions in the spaces provided.

### Units 3 and 4

## **Washington to Canberra**

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With reference to the United States of America's system of government, what is meant by the terreparation of powers?
2 mark
Describe <b>two</b> characteristics of a federal system of government.

	that contribute to the low voter turnout in presidential elections in the United State
of America.	

4 marks

## **Continuity and change**

What is meant by the term <b>informal vote</b> ?
2 m
Describe <b>two</b> functions of Australian federal elections.
4 m
Discuss <b>two</b> ways in which the functions of the House of Representatives fulfil democratic values.

# People and policy

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What is meant by the term <b>cabinet</b> ?	
	2 ma
Describe <b>two</b> ways state governments can influence Australian federal domestic policy making.	
	4 ma
Discuss <b>two</b> tactics that interest groups can use to influence public opinion.	
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# **Contemporary foreign policy**

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Describe t	two objectives	s of contem	porary Aust	tralian foreig	n policy.		
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Discuss tv	vo constraints	on the poli	.cy-making	power of an	Australian Mi	nister for Fore	ign Affairs.

### **SECTION B – Extended response questions**

### **Instructions for Section B**

Answer **one** of the following two questions in the space provided.

## Unit 3 – Democracy in the making

### **Question 1**

'There are fewer constraints on the power of the President of the United States than there are on the Australian Prime Minister.' To what extent do you agree?

20 marks

OR

### **Question 2**

'Constitutional change in Australia has been difficult to achieve.' To what extent do you agree?

20 marks

Working space

Answer either <b>Question 1</b> or <b>Question 2</b> .  Enter the number of the question you are answering in the box provided.					

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## **SECTION C – Extended response questions**

### **Instructions for Section C**

Answer **one** of the following two questions in the space provided.

## Unit 4 – The challenge of power

### **Question 1**

Describe and analyse aspects of a contemporary federal **domestic** policy that have been subject to public debate.

20 marks

OR

### **Question 2**

Evaluate the key challenges facing Australia's relations with its near neighbours.

20 marks

Working space

Answer either <b>Question 1</b> or <b>Question 2</b> .  Enter the number of the question you are answering in the box provided.

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Extra space for responses	
Clearly number all responses in this space.	

A script book is available from the supervisor if you need extra paper to complete your answer. Please ensure you write your **student number** in the space provided on the front cover of the script book. **At the end of the examination**, place the script book inside the front cover of this question and answer book.

