GLOBAL POLITICS

Written examination

Tuesday 19 November 2013
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

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- 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 19 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.
- Students are reminded that the focus needs to be on twenty-first century examples and case studies.
- 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

Instructions
Answer all questions in the spaces provided.

Global actors

Question 1 (2 marks)

a. State one aim or objective of the World Trade Organization (WTO). 1 mark

b. State one example of an action taken by this body. 1 mark

Question 2 (2 marks)

Define ‘global governance’ as it relates to the study of global politics.

Question 3 (3 marks)

Using one example, explain how contested and changing borders challenge state sovereignty.
Question 4 (8 marks)
Evaluate the influence of two non-state actors in contemporary global politics.
**Power in the Asia-Pacific region**

In this area of study

- one of the following five states must be used as the focus for responses: Australia, China, Indonesia, Japan or the United States of America
- the types and forms of power used by a specific Asia-Pacific state must be within the region.

**Question 5 (2 marks)**
Define ‘nation-state’ as it relates to the study of global politics.

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**Question 6 (5 marks)**
Analyse the use of cultural power in one state in the Asia-Pacific region.

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Question 7 (8 marks)
Evaluate the effectiveness of trade as a foreign-policy instrument used to achieve national interests in one Asia-Pacific state.
Ethical issues and debates

The issues for this area of study are

- human rights
- people movement
- development, focusing on poverty and inequality
- arms control and disarmament.

**Question 8** (2 marks)
Define ‘international society’ as it relates to the study of global politics.

**Question 9** (6 marks)
Select one issue that you have studied this year.

Analyse how effectively a global actor has responded to this issue.
Question 10 (7 marks)
Select another issue that you have studied this year. This issue must be different from the one selected in Question 9.

Issue __________________________________________________________

Analyse one ethical debate on this issue.

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Crises and responses

The crises for this area of study are
• environmental degradation
• intra and interstate conflict
• state and non-state terrorism
• economic instability.

**Question 11 (3 marks)**
Describe one cause of one global crisis.

Global crisis ________________________________

Cause ______________________________________
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Question 12 (6 marks)
Describe the characteristics of two of the following.
• deforestation
• war as an instrument of state policy
• asymmetrical conflict
• capitalism’s apparent boom-bust cycle
**Question 13** (6 marks)

Explain two proposed solutions from key global actors to one of the following crises.

- environmental degradation
- intra or interstate conflict
- state or non-state terrorism
- economic instability

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SECTION B

Instructions
Answer one question in the space provided.

Question 1 (20 marks)
‘The United Nations functions effectively as an institution of global governance.’
Discuss.

OR

Question 2 (20 marks)
‘A wide variety of foreign-policy instruments is necessary to achieve national interests.’
Discuss with reference to one of the following five Asia-Pacific states: Australia, China, Indonesia, Japan or the United States of America.

OR

Question 3 (20 marks)
‘International laws and treaties are ineffective in resolving ethical issues.’
Discuss.

OR

Question 4 (20 marks)
‘The effective resolution of global crises is challenged by a lack of international cooperation.’
Discuss.
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.