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**GLOBAL POLITICS**  
**Written examination**

Tuesday 15 November 2022

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**

<i>Section</i>	<i>Number of questions</i>	<i>Number of questions to be answered</i>	<i>Number of marks</i>
A	9	9	60
B	4	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 correction fluid/tape.
- No calculator is allowed in this examination.

**Materials supplied**

- Question and answer book of 24 pages, including **assessment criteria for Section B** on page 24
- Additional space is available at the end of the book if you need extra space to complete an answer.

**Instructions**

- Write your **student number** in the space provided above on this page.
- The focus of your responses must be on contemporary examples and case studies from within the last 10 years.
- All written responses must be in English.

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**SECTION A****Instructions for Section A**

Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

**Question 1** (2 marks)

Outline how a nation differs from a state.

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**Question 2** (8 marks)

- a. Describe the role and activities of **one** transnational corporation (TNC) in global politics. 3 marks

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- b. Using **one** example, explain how TNCs can be considered to be exploitative of host states. 5 marks

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**Question 3** (5 marks)

Discuss the effectiveness of the United Nations (UN) in achieving **two** of its aims.

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**Question 4** (15 marks)

One of the following Asia-Pacific states must be used as the focus of all responses to Question 4: Australia, China, Indonesia, Japan or the United States of America.

Selected Asia-Pacific state \_\_\_\_\_

- a. Describe **one** example of how idealism has influenced this Asia-Pacific state's use of diplomacy as a foreign policy instrument. 3 marks

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- b. Explain how trade has been used by this Asia-Pacific state in an attempt to achieve the national interest of national security. 4 marks

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c. Evaluate the success of this Asia-Pacific state in achieving the national interest of international standing. 8 marks

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**Question 5** (3 marks)

Using **one** specific example, explain the term ‘realism’ as it relates to the study of global politics.

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**Question 6** (5 marks)

Explain why the cosmopolitan perspective is not accepted universally.

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**SECTION A – continued  
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**Question 8** (8 marks)

From the list below, select one global crisis that you have studied this year:

- climate change
- armed conflict
- terrorism
- economic instability

Global crisis \_\_\_\_\_

**a.** Describe how globalisation has contributed to the causes of this global crisis. 2 marks

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**b.** To what extent has international cooperation been evident in attempting to resolve this global crisis? 6 marks

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**Question 9** (8 marks)

From the list below, select another global crisis that you have studied this year. The global crisis selected must be different from the one selected in Question 8.

- climate change
- armed conflict
- terrorism
- economic instability

Global crisis \_\_\_\_\_

Analyse **two** key aspects related to this global crisis.

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**END OF SECTION A  
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**SECTION B****Instructions for Section B**

Write an essay on **one** of the following questions in the space provided.

Your response will be assessed according to the assessment criteria set out on page 24.

**Question 1** (20 marks)

‘Due to globalisation, states are not the central actors of global politics today.’

To what extent do you agree?

**OR**

**Question 2** (20 marks)

Evaluate the effectiveness of using both hard power and soft power in achieving **at least two** national interests of **one** Asia-Pacific state. One of the following Asia-Pacific states must be used: Australia, China, Indonesia, Japan or the United States of America.

**OR**

**Question 3** (20 marks)

To what extent has international law been effective at pursuing justice with regard to ethical issues? Refer to **two** ethical issues that you have studied this year.

**OR**

**Question 4** (20 marks)

‘The national interests of states prevent the effective resolution of global crises.’

Discuss with reference to **two** global crises that you have studied this year.

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**Assessment criteria for Section B**

The essay in Section B will be assessed against the following criteria:

- development of a coherent and relevant argument that addresses the specific demands of the essay question
- demonstration of political knowledge that is accurate and appropriate for the essay question
- accurate use of key political terms and concepts
- use of contemporary examples and case studies to support explanations, points of view and arguments

**END OF QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK**

