



Victorian Certificate of Education 2006

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STUDENT NUMBER

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INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Written examination

Wednesday 15 November 2006

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	12	12	60
B	3	1	40
			Total 100

- 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.
- 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 for Section A
Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

Globalisation and internationalism

Question 1

List **one** stated objective of the United Nations.

1 mark

Question 2

List **one** positive aspect of globalisation and indicate **one** group that would benefit from this.

Positive aspect _____

Group _____

2 marks

Question 3

Describe **one** stated objective of the World Bank and outline **one** way it tries to achieve this objective.

Objective _____

Means to achieve objective _____

1 + 2 = 3 marks

Question 4

Describe **one** way in which United Nations actions could represent a potential or actual challenge to the sovereignty of a state or states.

4 marks

Question 5

Choose **one** of the following and describe the impact that **globalisation and/or internationalism** have had on the ability of a **specific state or states** to deal with this issue.

- international trade
- the environment
- human rights and refugees
- technology and communications
- politics

Topic chosen _____

Specific state or states _____

Global conflicts

Question 6

Define any **two** of the following terms.

- superpower
- terrorist
- global terrorism
- neoimperialism

Term 1 _____

Term 2 _____

2 + 2 = 4 marks

Question 7

Give an example of **state**-based terrorism and explain why it might be considered 'terrorism'.

3 marks

Question 8

Describe **one** of the alleged causes of international terrorism in the post-Cold War world.

3 marks

10 marks

Power in the Asia-Pacific region

Question 10

Define the following terms as they relate to the study of international relations.

Nation

State

National interest

2 + 2 + 2 = 6 marks

Question 11

Outline the major forms of power of **one Asia-Pacific state**. You must give specific evidence (figures, statistics, examples) to support your answer.

(Australia may not be used as the Asia-Pacific state for this question.)

4 marks

10 marks

Total 60 marks

END OF SECTION A

SECTION B – Australian foreign policy**Instructions for Section B**

Answer **one** question in the space provided.

Question 1

‘A number of significant events have led to an increased focus on security in Australian foreign policy since the election of the Howard Government in 1996.’

Discuss with reference to specific events since 1996 and Australian foreign policy response to these.

OR

Question 2

‘Australia’s relationship with the United States continues to be in Australia’s national interest.’

Discuss.

Your response should include

- a discussion of the historical context
- an analysis of the security and economic dimensions
- an evaluation of the current state of the relationship.

OR

Question 3

Choose **one** of the following issues and evaluate the foreign policy direction taken by Australian governments on this issue **since 1990**.

Issues

- economic
- immigration and refugee policy
- globalisation and free trade
- human rights

Your response should include

- a discussion of the historical context
- domestic and international influences on this policy
- an evaluation of the effectiveness of the policy.

40 marks

Extra space for responses
