

**Victorian Certificate of Education  
2020**

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STUDENT NUMBER           Letter

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

**Friday 27 November 2020**

**Reading time: 3.00 pm to 3.15 pm (15 minutes)**

**Writing time: 3.15 pm to 5.15 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** (3 marks)

Explain **one** role of the state in global politics. Provide a specific example to support your response.

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**Question 2** (4 marks)

Explain how a specific action by a regional grouping has challenged the sovereignty of a state.

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**Question 3 (8 marks)**

- a.** Identify **one** specific non-state actor from the category of legal organisations. This category includes human rights non-government organisations (NGOs), environmental NGOs and/or organised religions. You must use the non-state actor’s full name, not an abbreviation or an acronym. 1 mark

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- b.** Outline **one** aim of the non-state actor identified in **part a.** 1 mark

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- c.** Analyse the power of the non-state actor identified in **part a.** 6 marks

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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 the cultural power held by this Asia-Pacific state. 2 marks

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- b. Using **one** specific example, explain **one** factor that shapes this Asia-Pacific state's attempts to achieve national security. 3 marks

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- c. Evaluate the effectiveness of this Asia-Pacific state's use of two foreign policy instruments in pursuit of one national interest.

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National interest \_\_\_\_\_

- Foreign policy instrument 1 \_\_\_\_\_

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**Question 5** (5 marks)

Explain how cosmopolitanism promotes international law. Provide specific examples to support your response.

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**Question 7** (5 marks)

Analyse **one** unilateral response by a global actor to **one** global crisis.

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**Question 9** (6 marks)

From the table below, select a key aspect related to a global crisis that you have studied this year. The global crisis must be different from the one selected in Question 8.

Global crisis		Key aspect
climate change	→	national interests
armed conflict	→	war as an instrument of state policy
terrorism	→	the role of asymmetric warfare
economic instability	→	the role of key global actors as stabilisers of the global economy

Global crisis and key aspect \_\_\_\_\_

Analyse the key aspect related to this global crisis.

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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)

Evaluate the power of the International Criminal Court in relation to other global actors.

**OR**

**Question 2** (20 marks)

Evaluate the relative importance of **three** different types of power held by 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)

Analyse different perspectives on **two** debates relating to **one** ethical issue.

**OR**

**Question 4** (20 marks)

Analyse the challenges to achieving an effective resolution to **one** global crisis.

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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**