



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Level Examination

Government and Politics

GOV4C

Unit 4C Perspectives on Modern Politics

Specimen paper for examinations in June 2010 onwards

This question paper uses the [new numbering system](#) and [new AQA answer book](#)

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 8-page answer book.

Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Examining Body** for this paper is AQA. The **Paper Reference** is GOV4C.
- Choose **two** topics and answer **both** questions in each topic.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Advice

- You are advised to read through the examination paper before you attempt the questions.
- You are advised to spend the same amount of time on each topic.

Choose **two** topics and answer **both** questions in each topic.

Each topic carries 40 marks.

Topic 1 Participation and Representation

0 1 Identify the arguments claiming democracy is the most desirable form of government. *(10 marks)*

0 2 'Representative government does little to encourage active citizenship.' Discuss. *(30 marks)*

Topic 2 Globalisation

0 3 Outline the arguments claiming that globalisation is not a recent phenomenon. *(10 marks)*

0 4 'Globalisation means that no modern government can be entirely free in shaping its domestic policy.' Discuss. *(30 marks)*

Topic 3 Change and Continuity

0 5 Explain the difference between revolutionary and evolutionary change in politics. *(10 marks)*

0 6 'In politics, proposals for reform and change will always come up against calls for tradition and continuity.' Discuss. *(30 marks)*

Topic 4 Territorial Politics

0 7 Outline the reasons why devolution might strengthen the unity of the UK. *(10 marks)*

0 8 'Devolution to Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland reflects contrasting motives and aspirations. Discuss. *(30 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS