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General Certificate of Education Advanced Subsidiary Examination June 2012

# General Studies (Specification B)

**GENB2** 

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Question	Mark			
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Unit 2 Space

Tuesday 22 May 2012 9.00 am to 10.30 am

### For this paper you must have:

• a Source Booklet (enclosed).

You may use a calculator.

#### Time allowed

1 hour 30 minutes

#### Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer all questions.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

## Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 90.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
  - use good English
  - organise information clearly
  - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.
- All questions should be answered in continuous prose.

#### **Advice**

- Where appropriate, use examples to illustrate your answers.
- The recommended time allocation for this examination is as follows:
  - Question 1: 30 minutes
  - Question 2: 30 minutes
  - Question 3: 30 minutes.



# **Sources A** to **E** are provided in the enclosed Source Booklet.

	Answer <b>all</b> questions in the spaces provided.
1	Study <b>Sources A</b> and <b>B</b> and then answer the following questions.
1 (a) (i)	Using the data in <b>Source A</b> , describe <b>two</b> trends in UK housebuilding completions between 1951 and 2008. Use appropriate calculations to support your answers.  (6 marks)
	Trend 1:
	Trend 2:



1 (a) (ii)	In each case, give <b>one</b> reason to explain why these two trends might have occurred.  (4 marks)		
	Reason for Trend 1:		
	Reason for Trend 2:		
Question 1 continues on the next page			



1 (b) (i)	Using the data in <b>Source B</b> , describe <b>two</b> trends in the tenure of UK households of people aged under 30 between 1997 and 2009. Use appropriate calculations to support your answers. (6 marks)
	Trend 1:
	Trend 2:



1 (b) (ii)	In each case, give <b>one</b> reason to explain why these two trends might have occurred.  (4 marks)
	Reason for Trend 1:
	Reason for Trend 2:
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1 (c)	Discuss measures that could be introduced to allow people on a low income to acquire their own homes. (10 marks)



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Turn over for the next question



2	Study <b>Sources C</b> and <b>D</b> and then answer the following questions.			
2 (a)	Argue in favour of the case that coal-fired power stations are not an environmentally sustainable source of energy for the future ( <b>Source C</b> ). (10 marks)			



2 (b)	Argue in favour of the case that investment in a new generation of nuclear reactors will
<b>-</b> (b)	help to protect our environment for the future ( <b>Source D</b> ). (10 marks)
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2 (c)	Discuss the likely effectiveness of increased use of renewable energy source reducing the risk of climate change.	es in (10 marks)



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3	Using <b>Source E</b> and your own knowledge, answer the following questions.
3 (a)	Why might some people agree that it is a good use of taxpayers' money to spend it on public works of art to enhance our towns? (15 marks)








3 (b)	Why might some people agree that spending taxpayers' money on public works of art is an extravagance? (15 marks)



**END OF QUESTIONS** 

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