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Victorian Certificate of Education 2007

STUDENT NUMBER

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NATIONAL POLITICS

Written examination

Thursday 15 November 2007

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

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Section	Number of questions	Number of questions to be answered	Number of marks
Α	4	4	40
В	2	1	20
C	2	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 white out liquid/tape.
- No calculator is allowed in this examination.

Materials supplied

- Question and answer book of 20 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.

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SECTION A – Short answer questions

Instructions for Section A

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

Units 3 and 4

Washington to Canberra

Question 1

a. With reference to the United States of America's system of government, what is meant by the term **separation of powers**?

2 marks

b. Describe **two** characteristics of a federal system of government.

4 marks

c. Discuss **two** factors that contribute to the low voter turnout in presidential elections in the United States of America.



4 marks

Continuity and change

Question 2

a. What is meant by the term **informal vote**?

2 marks

b. Describe **two** functions of Australian federal elections.

4 marks

c. Discuss two ways in which the functions of the House of Representatives fulfil democratic values.

4 marks

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People and policy

Question 3 What is meant by the term **cabinet**? a. 2 marks b. Describe two ways state governments can influence Australian federal domestic policy making. 4 marks Discuss two tactics that interest groups can use to influence public opinion. c.

4 marks

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Question 4

a. What is meant by the term **foreign aid**?

2 marks

b. Describe **two** objectives of contemporary Australian foreign policy.

4 marks

c. Discuss two constraints on the policy-making power of an Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs.

4 marks

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SECTION B – Extended response questions

Instructions for Section B

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Answer one of the following two questions in the space provided.

Unit 3 – Democracy in the making

Question 1

'There are fewer constraints on the power of the President of the United States than there are on the Australian Prime Minister.' To what extent do you agree?

20 marks

OR

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'Constitutional change in Australia has been difficult to achieve.' To what extent do you agree?

20 marks

Working space



Answer either **Question 1** or **Question 2**. Enter the number of the question you are answering in the box provided.

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SECTION C – Extended response questions

Instructions for Section C

Answer one of the following two questions in the space provided.

Unit 4 – The challenge of power

Question 1

Describe and analyse aspects of a contemporary federal domestic policy that have been subject to public debate.

20 marks

OR

Working space

Question 2

Evaluate the key challenges facing Australia's relations with its near neighbours.

20 marks



Answer either **Question 1** or **Question 2**. Enter the number of the question you are answering in the box provided.

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