



# Victorian Certificate of Education 2009

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## STUDENT NUMBER

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# INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

## Written examination

Wednesday 18 November 2009

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	13	13	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 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**

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

**Global conflicts**

**Question 1**

List **two** terrorist attacks that have occurred since October 2001.

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2 marks

**Question 2**

Identify and explain one limitation on the power of the United States.

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2 marks

**Question 3**

Describe one cause of one post-Cold War conflict.

Chosen conflict \_\_\_\_\_

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3 marks

**Question 4**

Explain one failure of a state or group involved in a specific conflict in the post-Cold War period.

Chosen conflict \_\_\_\_\_

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## Power in the Asia-Pacific region

*Do not use Australia as an example for Questions 6–9.*

### Question 6

- a. Define 'domestic pressure' as it relates to the study of international relations.

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2 marks

- b. Identify one example of the use of domestic pressure in the Asia-Pacific region since 2000.

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### Question 7

- a. Identify one example of an economic policy instrument used in the Asia-Pacific region since 2000.

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1 mark

- b. Outline one motivating factor behind the use of this instrument.

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2 marks

### Question 8

Give **two** different interpretations of national interest within any one state in the Asia-Pacific since 2000.

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4 marks





## Australian foreign policy

### Question 10

Define 'security' as it relates to the study of international relations.

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2 marks

### Question 11

Explain one specific way the Australian Government has tried to achieve security since 1999.

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4 marks

### Question 12

Discuss the challenges Australia faces in the development of one regional relationship (other than the US).

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4 marks







**SECTION B – Globalisation and Internationalism****Instructions for Section B**

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

**Question 1**

‘Globalisation can have both positive and negative effects on a state.’ Discuss.

**OR**

**Question 2**

‘Internationalism is always constrained by the competing interests of states.’ Discuss.

**OR**

**Question 3**

Discuss how globalisation or internationalism have affected one or more of the following key global issues.

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

40 marks



















