



2007 Modern Studies

Standard Grade – General

Finalised Marking Instructions

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Supplementary Notes for Markers

- 1 Markers are asked to ensure that marks are entered in the correct columns. Column 1 is for KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING and column 2 is for ENQUIRY SKILLS. Marks should be recorded directly opposite the last line of a candidate's response.
- 2 'List type' answers to questions at General Level, if accurate, should be awarded a maximum of 2 marks.
- 3 It is strongly emphasised that the references in the marking instructions indicating expected responses are for guidance only and **MUST NOT BE VIEWED AS PRESCRIPTIVE**. The performance of candidates is measured against the Extended Grade Related Criteria and it is against these, rather than a checklist of responses, that they should be assessed.

Total Marks Available

Knowledge and Understanding	28
Enquiry Skills	36

SYLLABUS AREA 1 – LIVING IN A DEMOCRACY

QUESTION 1

- (a)

The concept being assessed is Participation. Candidates are required to give detailed descriptions.

Award up to 3 marks for a description depending upon quality, relevance, accuracy and level of exemplification. Two ways are required for full marks.

Answers may include:

- canvassing for support in the local area by going round all the houses in an area to speak to the public
- putting leaflets containing information about the candidate through peoples' doors
- phoning people at home to persuade them to support the candidate
- putting posters up on lampposts and shop windows to advertise their candidate
- mailing/posting campaign materials to voters in the area with information about the candidate
- going round the area in a loudspeaker van/car with messages encouraging people to vote for the candidate
- using the electoral roll to check support for your candidate
- organise/provide transport to the polling station for the elderly/disabled
- any other valid point.

Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks available

- (b)

Candidates are required to make comparisons within a source and draw valid conclusions.

Award up to 2 marks for a conclusion depending on the quality of the explanation.

The correct responses are:

- in 2001, the most popular activity was contacting a local council official with 64%. In 2005 this changed to signing a petition which 60% of people did
- contacting your councillor has shown least change as it has fallen by only 3%.

Enquiry Skills, 4 marks available

- (c)

The concept being assessed is Representation. Candidates are required to provide detailed descriptions.

Award 1 mark for each relevant problem correctly identified up to a maximum of 2 marks.
Award up to 2 marks for a description of how the shop steward might help depending upon quality, relevance, accuracy and level of exemplification.

Answers may include:

Problems:

- no wage increase this year
- health and safety concerns
- canteen price rises
- concerns over paying for the crèche
- any other valid point.

The shop steward could help by:

- arrange a meeting/negotiating with the management to resolve the problem
- contact full-time union officials to ask for their help and advice
- organise a ballot of members about industrial action
- organise appropriate industrial action such as work-to-rule, overtime ban or strike action if negotiations are not successful
- any other valid point.

Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks available

(d)

Candidates are required to provide evidence to support a given point of view.

Award up to 2 marks for each piece of evidence depending on the quality of explanation.

Two pieces of evidence are required for full marks. Both sentences in the view must be dealt with for full marks.

Answers which do not make an explicit link between the view and the sources should be awarded a maximum of 2 marks.

Answers may include:

- Salma Khan says that workers benefit from being members of a trade union. This view is supported from Source 2 by the fact that workers in a trade union enjoyed a higher rate of pay of £11.38 per hour, compared to only £9.72 for workers not in a trade union
- Salma Khan also says that membership of trade unions continued to increase for some groups of workers. This is supported from Source 1 by the fact that the number of women members has increased from 3,210,000 in 2001 to 3,356,000 in 2005.

Enquiry Skills, 4 marks available

SYLLABUS AREA 2 – CHANGING SOCIETY

QUESTION 2

- (a)

Candidates are required to express support for a personal point of view with valid reasons.

Award up to 2 marks for each piece of evidence depending on the quality of explanation and the justification used. Two pieces of evidence are required for full marks.

Answers that do not make an explicit link between the house and the information about the person should be awarded a maximum of 2 marks.

For House A – Ground floor flat

- A ground floor flat – Millie finds it more difficult to move about.
- A 2 bedroom flat – Millie was finding her 4 bedroom house too big.
- Elderly people live in the other 3 flats – Millie feels lonely.
- All residents share a conservatory which looks onto a colourful garden – Millie enjoys her garden.

For House B – Bungalow

- A one-storey house – Millie finds it more difficult to move about.
- A 2 bedroom house – Millie was finding her 4 bedroom house too big.
- There is a very pleasant summer-house for sitting in – Millie enjoys her garden.
- Fully double glazed throughout and with full gas central heating means the bungalow is cheap to heat in the winter – Millie is starting to feel the cold.

Enquiry Skills, 4 marks available

- (b)

The concept being assessed is Equality. Candidates are required to provide detailed explanations.

Award up to 3 marks for an explanation, depending on quality, relevance, accuracy and level of exemplification.

Two explanations are required for full marks.

Answers may include:

- some elderly people have more money than others and so can afford private medical care and have their health problem attended to more quickly
- some elderly people can afford adequate central heating in the winter whilst others have to choose between eating and heating
- some elderly people choose to take regular exercise and stay fit whilst other elderly people suffer from obesity and heart disease
- some elderly people take part in activities to stimulate their mind and so may enjoy better mental health than others
- some elderly people have a wide social circle of friends and family and so are less likely to suffer from depression and loneliness
- any other valid point.

Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks available

- (c)

The concept being assessed is Ideology. Candidates are required to provide detailed descriptions.

Award up to 3 marks for a description, depending on quality, relevance, accuracy and level of exemplification.

Candidates may give answers to this question which refer to the ways in which Central Government, the Scottish Parliament or local government tries to meet the needs of elderly people.

Two explanations are required for full marks.

Answers may include:

- provides state old age pension, winter fuel payments and income support to provide for the financial needs of the elderly
- provides free healthcare such as operations, GP consultations, eye examinations and prescriptions to meet the health needs of the elderly
- provides for some social needs such as free TV license for the over 75s
- provides free personal care to meet the health needs
- provides free bus travel throughout Scotland
- any other valid point.

Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks available

(d) Candidates are required to detect exaggeration and provide explanations.

Award 1 mark for each correct statement identified.

Award 1 mark for each correct reason.

The correct responses are:

Statement 1

Sandy Brown said, 'Scottish men are the only men who work more than the EU weekly average.'

Reason 1

The statement is exaggerated because in Source 2 it shows that the EU average is 41.3 hours, Scotland works 45.4 hours, Portugal 42.1 hours and Greece 41.7 hours per week'. They are all above the average.

Statement 2

Sandy Brown said, 'Very few Scottish workers fail to take all their annual holidays.'

Reason 2

The statement is exaggerated because in Source 1 it says 'About 73% of Scottish workers said they often failed to take all their annual holidays'. This is a lot, not very few.

Enquiry Skills, 4 marks available

SYLLABUS AREA 3 – IDEOLOGIES

QUESTION 3A – THE USA

- (a)

The concept being assessed is Rights and Responsibilities. Candidates are required to provide detailed descriptions.
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Award up to 3 marks for a description, depending on quality, relevance, accuracy and level of exemplification.

Both parts of the concept require to be addressed for full marks.

Award a maximum of 3 marks if no American example is given.

Answers may include:

Rights

- To stand for election in a Presidential or local election.
- To join a political party such as the Democrats or the Republicans.
- To vote for the candidate of their choice in elections such as those for city mayor.
- To own a gun.
- To protest against a law passed by the Federal Government.
- To have free speech.
- To practise a religion of their choice.
- To have a fair trial.

Responsibilities

- To use their vote in a considered way.
- To accept the result of the election.
- Not to conceal their weapon or use it in an act of aggression.
- To accept the views of others.
- Not to slander or libel someone.
- To tell the truth whilst under oath.

Any other valid point for both Rights and Responsibilities.

Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks available

(b)

Candidates are required to support and oppose a given point of view.

Award up to 2 marks for each piece of evidence depending on the quality of explanation.

Two pieces of evidence are required for full marks. Both sentences in the view must be dealt with for full marks.

Answers that do not make an explicit link between the view and the sources should be awarded a maximum of 2 marks.

Support the view

Eva Kaye says “It also showed greater participation in politics by voters in the USA”.

Evidence to support

The percentage of voters turning out to vote was 49.0% in 1996 but had risen to 59.8% in 2004. This is greater participation in politics.

Oppose the view

Eva Kaye says “In the 2004 Presidential elections, the winner had a large majority”.

Evidence to oppose

Bush only got 51% of the votes. This is not a large majority as he only won by 3% from Kerry.

Enquiry Skills, 4 marks available

- (c)

The concept being assessed is Ideology. Candidates are required to provide detailed explanations.

Award up to 3 marks for an explanation, depending on quality, relevance, accuracy and level of exemplification.

Two explanations are required for full marks.

Award a maximum of 3 marks if no American example is given.

Answers may include:

- capitalism allows people to start up their own business such as Apple or Gap
- the profit motive encourages people to work hard and to keep the profits from their business. Bill Gates of Microsoft is one example
- competition between businesses such as Walmart and Target, keeps prices low and quality high
- democracy allows American citizens to stand for election and challenge policies which they disagree with
- affirmative action policies have helped many more women and ethnic minorities to become successful in education and employment.

Any other valid point.

Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks available

(d)

Candidates are required to detect exaggeration and provide explanations.
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Award 1 mark for each correct statement identified.

Award 1 mark for each correct reason.

The correct responses are:

Statement 1

Martin Baxter said ‘The lowest level of support for President Bush has always been in his campaign against terrorism.’

Reason 1

The statement is exaggerated because in the table it shows that the level of support for his campaign against terrorism has always been the highest, in every year. This is not the lowest.

Statement 2

Martin Baxter said ‘Support for his handling of the economy has steadily fallen each year.’

Reason 2

The statement is exaggerated because in the table it shows that his support for the economy actually increased by 4 % between 2003 and 2004. This is not a fall.

Enquiry Skills, 4 marks available

QUESTION 3B – RUSSIA

- (a)

The concept being assessed is Rights and Responsibilities. Candidates are required to provide detailed descriptions.
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Award up to 3 marks for a description, depending on quality, relevance, accuracy and level of exemplification.

Both parts of the concept require to be addressed for full marks.

Award a maximum of 3 marks if no Russian example is given.

Answers may include:

Rights

- To stand for election in a Presidential or local election.
- To join a political party such as United Russia, Yabloko or the Communist Party.
- To vote for the candidate of their choice in election such as those for the Duma.
- To own a gun.
- To protest against a law passed by the Government.
- To have free speech.
- To practise a religion of their choice.
- To have a fair trial.

Responsibilities

- To use their vote in a considered way.
- To accept the result of the election.
- Not to conceal their weapon or use it in an act of aggression.
- To accept the views of others.
- Not to slander or libel someone.
- To tell the truth whilst under oath.

Any other valid point for both Rights and Responsibilities.

Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks available

- (b) Candidates are required to support and oppose a given point of view.

Award up to 2 marks for each piece of evidence depending on the quality of explanation.

Two pieces of evidence are required for full marks. Both sentences in the view must be dealt with for full marks.

Answers that do not make an explicit link between the view and the sources should be awarded a maximum of 2 marks.

Support the view

Maria Chakvetadze says, “In the 2004 Presidential election, the winner had a large majority.”

Evidence to support

Putin won the election with 71% of the vote. His nearest challenger only got 14% of the vote. His winning margin was 57%.

Oppose the view

Maria Chakvetadze says, “It also showed greater participation in politics by voters in Russia.”

Evidence to oppose

Turnout at the election in 2004 was 64% which was 4% down on the turnout at the election in 2000 and 6% down on the election in 1996.

Enquiry Skills, 4 marks available

- (c)

The concept being assessed is Ideology. Candidates are required to provide detailed explanations.

Award up to 3 marks for an explanation, depending on quality, relevance, accuracy and level of exemplification.

Two explanations are required for full marks.

Award a maximum of 3 marks if no Russian example is given.

Answers may include:

- the economic system in Russia allows people to start up their own business
- the profit motive encourages people to work hard and to keep the profits from their business. Roman Abramovich is one example
- competition between businesses can keep prices low and quality high
- democracy allows Russian citizens to stand for election and challenge policies which they disagree with
- any other valid point.

Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks available

(d)

Candidates are required to detect exaggeration and provide explanations.
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Award 1 mark for each correct statement identified.

Award 1 mark for each correct reason.

The correct responses are:

Statement 1

Alexia Gudrun said, 'More Russians thought Putin was "doing a good job" in 2005 than in previous years.'

Reason 1

This statement is exaggerated because the table shows that 39% of the electorate thought he was doing a good job in 2005 but in 2003, the figure was higher at 42%.

Statement 2

Alexia Gudrun said, 'In 2003, most Russians thought Putin was "doing a poor job".'

Reason 2

This statement is exaggerated because the table shows that most Russians thought Putin was "doing a good job" in 2003 with a 42% rating as opposed to 27% for "doing a poor job".

Enquiry Skills, 4 marks available

QUESTION 3C – CHINA

- (a)

The concept being assessed is Rights and Responsibilities. Candidates are required to provide detailed descriptions.
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Award up to 3 marks for a description, depending on quality, relevance, accuracy and level of exemplification.

Both parts of the concept require to be addressed for full marks.

Award a maximum of 3 marks if no Chinese example is given.

Answers may include:

- the right to elect village/local representatives/deputies to Peoples' Congresses at city, provincial and national level. However, there is a responsibility for individuals themselves to take part in the running of villages, towns etc by voting or perhaps by becoming a candidate either for the Communist Party or for one of the approved opposition parties
- the right to protest in pressure groups but the responsibility is to ensure that the authority of the Communist Party is not challenged. Chinese people also have a responsibility to obey the law and to support the communist revolution by educating others and by reporting counter revolutionaries
- the right to healthcare. Citizens often have to pay for treatments, drugs etc
- the right to an education. The responsibility is to send children to school in order to enhance the economy. Rural schools are often inadequate in terms of funding and staffing
- the right to religion is written into the Chinese constitution. Citizens can follow one of four recognized religions (Buddhism, Islam, Christianity and Taoism) but have the responsibility to only worship in "patriotic" churches, temples etc
- the right to family life, within the limitations of the One Child Policy.

Any other valid point.

Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks available

- (b)

Candidates are required to support and oppose a given point of view.
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Award up to 2 marks for each piece of evidence, depending on the quality of explanation.

Two pieces of evidence are required for full marks. Both sentences in the view must be dealt with for full marks.

Answers which do not make an explicit link between the view and the sources should be awarded a maximum of 2 marks.

Support the view:

Zi Yan says, “It also showed greater participation in politics by voters in Duyun”.

Evidence to support:

This is true, as turnout figures have gone up from 85% in 1995 to 91% in 2005.

Oppose the view:

Zi Yan says, “In the 2005 election, the winner had a large majority”.

Evidence to oppose:

This is not true as the winning candidate only had 46% of the vote ie less than half.

This is not true as they only won by 6%.

Enquiry Skills, 4 marks available

- (c)

The concept being assessed is Ideology. Candidates are required to provide detailed explanations.

Award up to 3 marks for an explanation depending on the quality, relevance, accuracy and level of exemplification. Two explanations are required for full marks.

Award a maximum of 3 marks if no Chinese example is given.

Answers may include:

- since the early eighties Chinese people have been allowed to start a business and keep the profit ie “Socialist Market Economy”. Many millions of enterprises, of different sizes, are privately owned. Approximately 125 million Chinese work for small “township enterprises”
- many state owned enterprises have been forced to become more competitive, giving opportunities for bigger salaries in management etc. Some workers could buy shares in their factory etc
- Special Economic Zones have attracted a great deal of investment from foreign companies. Wages in these areas tend to be higher and unemployment lower eg along the “Coastal Strip”
- China joined the World Trade Organisation, allowing greater freedom to business and hence greater affluence for some
- Stock Market opened allowing individuals to invest in different companies. China now has many millionaires
- Hong Kong returned to Chinese control bringing opportunities to Chinese citizens
- agricultural reforms such as the responsibility system have brought wealth to some farmers.

Any other valid point.

Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks available

(d)

Candidates are required to detect exaggeration and provide explanations.
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Award 1 mark for each correct statement.

Award 1 mark for each correct reason.

The correct responses are:

Statement 1

Lye Zhang said “The urban population of China will double between 1995 and 2010”.

Reason 1

This is exaggerated because the table shows that the urban population will increase from 30% to 44%. This is an increase of just less than 50%.

Statement 2

Lye Zhang said “The biggest rise in the total population came between 2000 and 2005”.

Reason 2

This is exaggerated because the table shows that the increase between 2000 and 2005 was only 0.01 billion. The biggest increase was between 1995 and 2000 at 0.08 billion.

Enquiry Skills, 4 marks available

SYLLABUS AREA 4 – INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

QUESTION 4

- (a)

The concept being assessed is Need. Candidates are required to provide detailed descriptions.

Award up to 3 marks for a description depending upon the quality of explanation, relevance, accuracy and level of detail. Credit highly those candidates who provide detailed exemplification in their answer.

Candidates may choose to answer this question in a variety of ways ie through specific multilateral aid projects or through specific bilateral aid projects.

Answers may include:

- UN tries to meet needs in Africa via agencies. UNICEF gives aid to mothers and children, such as supporting breastfeeding
- countries can give bi-lateral aid eg Britain gave aid to Mozambique when a natural disaster occurred. The aid included tents, food and basic medicine
- Oxfam or other aid agencies, acting as managing agents for either individual governments or for a UN specialised agency, gives small scale aid to local people eg helping young men to learn a trade.

Any other valid point.

Knowledge and Understanding, 4 marks available

- (b)

Candidates are required to make comparisons within sources and draw valid conclusions.
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Award up to 2 marks for each difference depending on the quality of explanation provided.

Two differences are required or full marks.

The correct responses are:

Difference 1:

Source 1 says that ‘They are being successful in making the lives of the people better’ but Source 2 says that ‘Afghanistan is now suffering from lawlessness, misery and starvation’.

Difference 2:

Source 1 says that ‘Some Afghans have had to flee from the fighting but they have been moved to clean, safe refugee camps’ but Source 2 says that ‘Many local people have been forced to flee to refugee camps where the conditions are dangerous and filthy’.

Enquiry Skills, 4 marks available

(c)

Candidates are required to give relevant aims for an investigative topic.

Award up to 1 mark for an aim depending on its quality and relevance.

Two aims must be given for full marks.

The following receive 0 marks:

- to find out when was the EU set up
- to find out who is in the EU.

The following receive 1 mark:

- to find out what Scotland gains from the EU
- to find out how many MEPs Scotland has.

Any other valid aim.

Enquiry Skills, 2 marks available

(d)

Candidates are required to state and justify an appropriate method of enquiry.
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Award 1 mark for each correct advantage.

Two advantages must be given for full marks.

Answers may include:

- quick method of contacting a person
- people often respond quickly to an e-mail (compared to a letter)
- easy to find the address (Google/EU page).

Any other valid point.

Enquiry Skills, 2 marks available

(e)

Candidates are required to state and justify an appropriate method of enquiry.
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Award 1 mark for each correct way identified.

Award 1 mark for each correct reason.

The correct responses are:

- Services: You could see if there were any relevant statistics or opinion polls to answer the aims
- 'In the Spotlight': The first topic, 'Crisis in Scotland', relates directly to Scotland and could have material for the investigation
- Search facility: Could be used to find information not already identified
- Activities: 'What the EU does by subject'. Regional Policy may have information about Scotland.

Any other valid point.

Enquiry Skills, 4 marks available

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