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National Qualifications

2022

Politics

Paper 1

Tuesday, 26 April

Instructions to Candidates

Candidates should enter their surname, forename(s), date of birth, Scottish candidate number and the name and level of the subject at the top of their first answer sheet.

Total marks - 52

SECTION 1 - POLITICAL THEORY - 20 marks

Attempt EITHER question 1(a) OR question 1(b)

SECTION 2 - POLITICAL SYSTEMS - 20 marks

Attempt EITHER question 2(a) OR question 2(b) OR question 2(c).

SECTION 3 - POLITICAL PARTIES AND ELECTIONS - 12 marks

Attempt EITHER question 3(a) OR question 3(b)

You must clearly identify the question number you are attempting on your answer sheet.

Marks are shown in square brackets at the end of each question or part question.

An owl in the margin indicates a new question.

An asterisk indicates a question that differs in some respect to the question in the printed paper.

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SECTION 1 POLITICAL THEORY - 20 marks

Attempt EITHER question 1(a) OR question 1(b)

ow 1.(a) To what extent are the key features of direct democracy superior to those of representative democracy? In your answer you must refer to the work of relevant theorists. [20 marks]

OR

ow 1.(b) There are no major differences between the key features of political ideologies. Discuss with reference to two political ideologies and the ideas of relevant theorists. [20 marks]

[NOW GO TO SECTION 2]

SECTION 2 POLITICAL SYSTEMS - 12 marks

Attempt EITHER question 2(a) OR question 2(b) OR question 2(c)

ow 2. (a) Compare the flexibility of the constitution in two political systems you have studied. [12 marks]

OR

ow 2. (b) Compare the limits on the power of the executive in two political systems you have studied. [12 marks]

OR

ow 2. (c) Compare the effectiveness of the legislature in scrutinising the work of the government in two political systems you have studied. [12 marks]

[NOW GO TO SECTION 3]

SECTION 3 POLITICAL PARTIES AND ELECTIONS - 20 marks

Attempt EITHER question 3(a) OR question 3(b)

ow 3. (a) The use of the media during campaigns is now undoubtedly the most effective strategy for political parties during elections. Discuss. [20 marks]

OR

ow 3. (b) To what extent is the sociological model the dominant model of voting behaviour in the UK today? [20 marks]

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