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Edexcel GCE

Government and Politics

Advanced Subsidiary Unit 1: People and Politics

Friday 13 January 2012 – Afternoon
Time: 1 hour 20 minutes

Paper Reference

6GP01/01

You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **two** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided – *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets – *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- You will be assessed on your ability to organise and present information, ideas, descriptions and arguments clearly and logically, taking into account your use of grammar, punctuation and spelling.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Answer any TWO questions.

Write your answers in the spaces provided.

It is advised that you divide your time equally between both questions.

- 1** (a) How does a referendum differ from an election? (5)
- (b) Explain the arguments in favour of making voting compulsory. (10)
- (c) How effectively does representative democracy operate in the UK? (25)

(Total for Question 1 = 40 marks)

- 2** (a) Outline **two** ideas associated with liberalism. (5)
- (b) Explain **three** policies of the modern Labour Party. (10)
- (c) To what extent have the parties involved in the Conservative-Liberal Democrat coalition remained faithful, since 2010, to their traditional principles and ideas? (25)

(Total for Question 2 = 40 marks)

- 3** (a) How do pressure groups promote functional representation? (5)
- (b) Explain **three** factors which may restrict the influence of a pressure group. (10)
- (c) Are pressure groups becoming more powerful, or less powerful? (25)

(Total for Question 3 = 40 marks)

- 4** (a) Outline the workings of the Party List electoral system. (5)
- (b) Explain **three** criticisms of the 'first past the post' electoral system. (10)
- (c) Make out a case in favour of retaining the 'first past the post' electoral system for the House of Commons. (25)

(Total for Question 4 = 40 marks)

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Indicate your first question choice on this page.
You will be asked to indicate your second question choice on page 13.

Put a cross in the box ☒ indicating the first question that you have chosen.
If you change your mind, put a line through the box ☒
and then indicate your new question with a cross ☒.

Chosen Question Number: Question 1 Question 2
Question 3 Question 4

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