



STUDY POLITICS

A-Level Practice Paper Set 1

Paper 1

Government and politics of the UK

Time: 2 hours

Exam Board: AQA

Name _____

Mark _____ / 77

Grade _____

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- lined paper or an AQA 12-page answer book.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book.
- Answer **all** questions from sections A and B.
- Answer **either** question 5 **or** question 6 from section C.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked. Do **not** tear out any part of the book. All work must be handed in.
- If you use more than one book, check that you have written the information required on each book.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 77.

Section A – Short Questions

Answer questions 1, 2 and 3

- 1) Explain and analyse three impacts of the EU on UK government.
[9 marks]

- 2) Explain and analyse three factors affecting the success of political parties.
[9 marks]

- 3) Explain and analyse three methods of parliamentary scrutiny of the executive.
[9 marks]

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Section C – Essay Question

Answer **either** question 5 **or** question 6

In your answer you should draw on material from across the whole range of your course of study in Politics.

Either

- 5) 'Despite its weaknesses, first past the post is the best electoral system for UK general elections.' Analyse and evaluate this statement.

[25 marks]

Or

- 6) 'Minor political parties are playing an ever-more important role in today's politics.' Analyse and evaluate this statement.

[25 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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