

A-level POLITICS

Paper 3 Political ideas

Time allowed: 2 hours

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- 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. The **Paper Reference** is **7152/3**.
- Answer **all** questions from Section **A** and Section **B**.
- Answer **one** question from Section **C**.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work 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 – Core Ideologies Short Questions

Answer questions 1, 2 and 3.

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Socialism

Explain and analyse three ways in which socialist thinkers view human nature.

[9 marks]

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Liberalism

Explain and analyse three ways in which liberal thinkers define freedom.

[9 marks]

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Conservatism

Explain and analyse three ways in which conservative thinkers view tradition.

[9 marks]

Section B – Core Ideologies Extract Question

Read the extracts below and answer question 4 that follows.

The role of government**Extract 1****A proper government is only a policeman**

The only proper purpose of a government is to protect man's rights, which means: to protect him from physical violence. A proper government is only a policeman, acting as an agent of man's self-defense, and, as such, may resort to force *only* against those who *start* the use of force.

The only proper functions of a government are: the police, to protect you from criminals; the army, to protect you from foreign invaders; and the courts, to protect your property and contracts from breach or fraud by others, to settle disputes by rational rules, according to *objective* law.

Extract taken from Ayn Rand, *The Virtue of Selfishness*, published in 1964.

Extract 2**The purpose of government is to keep afloat**

In political activity (the role of the state in society and the economy)... men sail a boundless and bottomless sea; there is neither harbour for shelter nor floor for anchorage, neither starting-place nor appointed destination. The enterprise (the purpose of government) is to keep afloat on an even keel; the sea is both friend and enemy, and the seamanship consists in using the resources of a traditional manner of behaviour in order to make a friend of every hostile occasion.

Extract adapted from *Rationalism in Politics and Other Essays* by Michael Oakeshott, published in 1962.

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Analyse, evaluate and compare the arguments made in the above extracts on the role of the state. In your answer you should refer to the thinkers you have studied.

[25 marks]

Turn over for the next question

Turn over ►

Section C – Other Ideologies Essay Question

Answer the question set on **one** of the following ideologies.

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

Either

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Nationalism

‘Nationalism is based on a clear view of a country’s culture and traditions.’ Analyse and evaluate this statement with reference to the nationalist thinkers that you have studied.

[25 marks]

or

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Feminism

‘The aim of feminism is to promote women’s rights, not to eliminate gender difference.’ Analyse and evaluate this statement with reference to the feminist thinkers that you have studied.

[25 marks]

or

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Multiculturalism

‘Multiculturalism’s main aim is to achieve the acceptance of different cultures, not their integration.’ Analyse and evaluate this statement with reference to the multiculturalist thinkers that you have studied.

[25 marks]

or

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Anarchism

‘Revolution is the only method that can successfully achieve the aims of anarchists.’ Analyse and evaluate this statement with reference to the anarchist thinkers that you have studied.

[25 marks]

or

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Ecologism

‘Sustainability of human activity is the main goal of ecologism.’ Analyse and evaluate this statement with reference to the ecologist thinkers that you have studied.

[25 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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