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## **GENERAL PAPER**

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2 hours

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

### **READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet. Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in. Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer **two** questions.

Write on one subject from each of two of Sections 1, 2 and 3.

Answers should be 600-800 words in length.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

All questions in this paper carry equal marks.

#### Section 1

- 1 'The only worthwhile historical evidence is what is written or printed.' Discuss.
- 2 How far can a company afford to take the health and safety of its workers into consideration?
- 3 'The world would be a better place if more politicians were female.' Do you agree?
- 4 'Fast food should not be criticised; it suits the pace of life today.' Discuss.
- 5 'People always respond to a crisis when it is too late.' To what extent is this a fair comment?

## Section 2

- **6** Are there any circumstances in which it would be acceptable to use animals for scientific research?
- 7 'The young embrace modern technology; the old feel threatened by it.' Is this true?
- **8** How important is it to explore alternative forms of energy?
- **9** 'Disease is not just an individual concern, but a global one.' What is your view?
- 10 'An education is incomplete without an understanding of mathematical principles.' Do you agree?

#### Section 3

- 11 How far do the media have the right to probe into a person's private life?
- **12** 'A day spent without reading is a day wasted.' What is your view?
- 13 'Society needs internet cafes more than museums.' Is this true?
- 14 'Since the arrival of photography, painting has lost its purpose.' Discuss.
- 15 'People who ignore religion reject vital aspects of their culture and life.' Do you agree?

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