

GP Notes

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Good luck with your exams.

1 Media

1.1 Media

1.1.1 Purpose of Media

Consider the argument that the main purpose of television should be to educate rather than simply to entertain. (GCE/2015) -

1.2 Title

1.3 Advertising

‘There is no such thing as bad publicity.’ To what extent is this true? (GCE/2015) -

1.3.1 Ethics of Advertising

1.4 New Media

1.4.1 New vs Old Media

‘Books serve little purpose in education as technological developments become more sophisticated.’ How far do you agree? (GCE/2015) -

2 Social Issues

2.1 Title

2.2 Equality and Inequality

2.2.1 Money

2.2.2 Public Service

How effectively is public health promoted and managed in your society? (GCE/2015) -

2.3 Title

2.4 Ageing

When a government’s finances for social welfare are limited, should they be directed towards the young or old? (GCE/2015) -

2.5 Title

2.6 Family

2.6.1 Family Structure

2.6.2 Raising Children

‘Parents have no right to impose their own values and beliefs on their children.’ Discuss. (GCE/2015) -

2.7 Title

2.8 Title

2.9 Title

3 Arts

3.1 Title

To what extent should the arts in your society focus on local rather than foreign talent? (GCE/2015) -

3.2 Title

4 Science

4.1 Science

4.1.1 Science vs Religion

‘Human actions should be based on scientific fact, not religious faith.’ How far do you agree with this statement? (GCE/2015) -

4.1.2 Science vs Art

4.2 Environment

In your society, how well are the demands for the economy and the environment balanced? (GCE/2015) -

4.3 Education

4.3.1 Reasons and Impacts

Education has produced a population that is literate but not compassionate. How far is this true in your society (RJC/201?)

Key Words Literate, Compassionate

Thesis When arguing against, can argue points that education does not necessarily end in literacy, or How education has ended in compassion

Think Consider who is accused of not being compassionate, i.e. elite school students? Mechanism of people being brought into elite schools, streaming, meritocracy etc.

Points

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4.3.2 Method and Manner

4.4 Title

4.5 Title

5 Politics

5.1 Politics

5.2 Title

5.3 Title

5.4 Diplomacy

How far is it possible for one country to forgive another for its past actions? (GCE/2015) -

6 Philosophy

6.1 Title

6.2 Title

7 Essay Technique

7.1 Title

7.2 Title

7.3 Title

7.4 Title

7.5 Title

7.6 Title