

NANYANG JUNIOR COLLEGE JC 2 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION 2008

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GENERAL PAPER PAPER 2:	Thu	8806/2 Irsday 28 August 2008
		1 hour 30 minutes
ANSWER BOOKLET		
INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDAT	ES	
Write your Name, Class, and GP Tu	tor's Name in the spaces at the t	op of the page.
Answer all questions.		
INFORMATION FOR CANDIDAT	ES	
The number of marks is given in bracke	ts [] at the end of each question or	part question.
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PAPER 2 (50 Marks) [Note that 15 marks out of 50 will be awarded for your use of language]

NOTE: When a question asks for an answer IN YOUR OWN WORDS AS FAR AS POSSIBLE and you select the appropriate material from the passage for your answer, you must still use your own words to express it. Little credit can be given to answers which only copy words or phrases from the passage.

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Read the passage and then answer the following questions below.

Fr	om Paragraph 1	
1.	What does the word 'axiomatic' (line 1) tell you about the author's conclusion on old calculations of hard power'?	'the
		_ [1]
Fro	om Paragraph 2	
2.	What does the phrase 'all-too-familiar' (line 14) reveal about the author's attit towards the current measure of India's status in the world? Justify your answer in yown words as far as possible.	
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Fro	om Paragraph 3	
3.	What do the 2 examples of the US losing the Vietnam War and the Soviet Unit defeat in Afghanistan illustrate about the effectiveness of military dominance? Use yown words as far as possible.	
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From Paragraph 4

4.	Explain how soft power differs from hard power? Use your own words as far possible.	r as
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Fro	om Paragraph 6	
5.	What is the intention of countries setting up the likes of British Councils and Confu institutes?	cius
		[1]
Fro	om Paragraph 9	
6.	(a) Explain what the author means by 'family problems are usually hidden behind veil' (lines 63-64).	the
		[1]
	(b) Why is the use of the above metaphor culturally appropriate?	
		[1]

7. What factors enable a country to develop its soft power and to succeed in doing so? Using material from paragraphs 5 -10, write your summary in no more than 120 words, not counting the opening words which are given below. Use your own words as far as possible. The necessary ingredients for a country to develop soft power and to succeed in doing so are....

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Fro	om Paragraph 12
8.	Identify the word that conveys what the author thinks about the use of soft power as the means of guaranteeing national security.
Fro	om Paragraph 12
9.	Explain what the metaphor 'one arrow in a nation's security quiver' (lines 84-85) means Use your own words as far as possible.
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10	Now that you have studied the whole article carefully, look again at the opening headline.
	How is the phrase 'SOFT POWER' ironic or contradictory?
	

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11. Give the may write t	neaning of each he answer in a				usea in tr	ne passage. \	′ ou
a. coined (line	19)						[1]
b. emblematic	(line 29)						[1]
c. prescription	(line 40)						[1]
d. intangible (li	ne 57)						[1]
e. crippling (lin	e 76)						[1]
		s the use c	of soft power i	n the condu	ct of interr	national relation	ons
	hashi Tharoor advocates the use of soft power in the conduct of international relations the world today. O what extent would developing soft power be beneficial to your country and how far ould such an attempt be successful in raising your country's status as a global player? your answer, develop some of the points made by the author, and give your own ews on the issue.						
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