ANGLO-CHINESE JUNIOR COLLEGEJC2 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION 2009

GENERAL PAPER

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Paper 1 1 hour 30 minutes

Additional Materials: Answer Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your Centre number, index number and name on all the work you hand in. Write in dark blue or black pen on both sides of the paper. Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer **one** question.

Note that 20 marks out of 50 will be awarded for your use of language.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together. All questions carry equal marks.

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Answer **one** question from this Paper.

Answers should be between 500 and 800 words in length.

1 To what extent do the new media promote democratic ideals? 2 'Man's hypocrisy can be seen in his treatment of the poor.' What do you think? 3 'The economy should not be left in the hands of an elite few.' Discuss. 'Extensive research in genetic engineering is a huge waste of money.' Do you 4 agree? 5 'The people we idolise are a reflection of our values and character.' How far do you agree with this statement? 'The most common desire among those with a terminal illness is to die with some 6 measure of dignity.' Is this a good enough reason to legalise euthanasia? 7 Should a government concern itself only with pragmatic issues and not strive to be a moral compass? 8 'Singaporeans have no self-respect because of the inconsiderate ways they disposed of chewing gum hence prompting the government ban on its sale.' Is it true that Singaporeans are socially irresponsible? 9 Consider the view that Man is more knowledgeable, but not necessarily wiser. 10 'Literature, drama and art all amount to making something out of nothing.' Is this a fair assessment of the arts? 11 'Environmental conservation is far more likely to be effective when it is not motivated by selflessness.' Discuss.

'History is indeed little more than the register of the crimes, follies and misfortunes of

mankind.' To what extent is this statement true?

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