



**PIONEER JUNIOR COLLEGE
JC2 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION**

**GENERAL PAPER
Higher 1**

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Paper 1

8 September 2008
1 hour 30 minutes

Additional Materials: Writing Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your answers on the writing paper provided.
If you use more than 1 sheet of paper, fasten the sheets together.

Write your name, index number, CT group and GP Tutor's name on every sheet of paper that you hand in.

Answer ONE question.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

All questions carry equal marks.

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

This question paper consists of **2** printed pages.

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Answer ONE question from this paper.

Answers should be between 500 and 800 words in length.

1. Does the minority have a significant voice in your country's affairs?
2. Charity is best left to individuals and non-government groups. Do you agree?
3. To what extent should families adjust and adapt to meet the demands of globalisation?
4. Consider the view that education makes people smarter, not better.
5. New technologies have made crime fighting more challenging than ever. Do you agree?
6. To what extent does sport fulfil the needs of a country?
7. Too much focus is given to the lack of resources and not enough to its solutions. Is this an accurate assessment of the situation in your country?
8. "Trust that is lost is hard to regain." Have we become too distrusting of others?
9. Is a sound knowledge of the arts essential for a well-educated person in today's world? Discuss this with reference to **one** of the following: a) music, b) painting or c) literature.
10. "Mass media has been made the scapegoat for problems faced by youths today." To what extent do you agree with the statement?
11. What do we seek in our quest of the unknown?
12. "Young people lead a life of apathy because they have no real sense of self." Do you agree?
