



Tampines Junior College

Preliminary Examination 2008

GENERAL PAPER

8806/02

Paper 2
2008

18th August

1 hour 30 minutes

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your name, Civics Group, GP group and GP tutor's name in the spaces provided below.
Answer all questions.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question.

NAME: _____

CIVICS GROUP: _____

GP TUTOR'S NAME: _____

GP GROUP: _____

FOR EXAMINERS' USE

Qn 1		Qn 6		MARKER 1	
Qn 2		Qn 7		MARKER 2	
Qn 3(a)		Qn 8		MARKER 3	
Qn 3(b)		Qn 9		MARKER 4	
Qn 4		Qn 10		MARKER 5	
Qn 5				MARKER 6	
		SUB-TOTAL/35	AVE LANG MARK/15

TOTAL: /50

PAPER 2 (50 Marks)
(Note that 15 marks are set aside to assess your use of language.)

Read the passage in the Insert and then answer all the questions which follow below.

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.

1 What is the author's intention in contrasting the traits of modern life in lines 3-6?

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2 What would "the golden age of enlightened living" (line 8) bring? *Use your own words as far as possible.* [3 marks]

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3(a) Why does the author cite Maslow's pyramid in paragraph 3?

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3(b) "The pyramid collapsed." (line24) Explain what the author means by this statement. *Use your own words as far as possible.*

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4 From paragraph 8, what does the figurative expression 'ethical coma' (line 51) suggest about the situation of modern people?

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From paragraph 9:

5 What is the author's attitude towards politicians?

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6 Why does the author feel that the current socio-economic system is 'dangerously obsolete' (lines 61-62)?

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7 What are the positive results of promoting 'global consciousness' (line 66)? *Use your own words as far as possible*

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8 Give the meaning of the following words as they are used in the passage. Write your answer in one word or a short phrase.

(a) blinkered (line 10)

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(b) channel (line 19)

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(c) marooned (line 53)

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(d) calamity (line 63)

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- 10 Schumaker laments the triviality of modern life. Do you agree or disagree with his views?

Examine this in the light of the trends and priorities in your society today.

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