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SOCIAL STUDIES

Paper 02 – General Proficiency

2 hours 40 minutes

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You are advised to use 10 minutes to read the paper and select the questions that you will answer.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

This paper has THREE sections, as follows:

SECTION A	**Questions 1, 2 and 3**	–	**Individual Interaction**
SECTION B	**Part I Questions 4 and 5**	–	**Development and Use of Resources**
	Part II Questions 6 and 7	–	**Development and Use of Resources**
SECTION C	**Question 8**	–	**Consumer Affairs**
	Question 9	–	**Communication**
	Question 10	–	**Tourism**

(i) **You MUST answer FIVE questions in all.**

(ii) **Answer TWO questions from SECTION A,**
ONE question from SECTION B Part I,
ONE question from SECTION B Part II and
ONE question from SECTION C.

(iii) **All answers MUST be written in complete sentences.**

(iv) **Where questions require an explanation, a suggestion, a proposal or a reason, you should develop your responses fully.**

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SECTION A

INDIVIDUAL INTERACTION

Answer TWO questions from this section. ALL answers MUST be in complete sentences. Where questions require an explanation, a suggestion, a proposal or a reason, you should develop your responses fully.

1. Caribbean families are influenced by a number of social issues. One of these issues is juvenile delinquency.

(a) Describe TWO factors that contribute to juvenile delinquency. **(4 marks)**

(b) State TWO other social issues that affect Caribbean families. **(2 marks)**

(c) Give THREE reasons why parents may NOT wish their delinquent children to reside in the home. **(6 marks)**

(d) Suggest to youth group leaders in your community ONE strategy they may use to change the behaviour of juvenile delinquents. State why you believe your strategy will work. **(5 marks)**

Total 17 marks

2. (a) (i) Define the term 'social group'. **(2 marks)**

(ii) Apart from the school, name TWO social groups to which children belong. **(2 marks)**

(iii) Identify TWO characteristics of an informal group. **(2 marks)**

(b) Explain THREE ways in which young people benefit from membership in formal social groups. **(6 marks)**

(c) As a leader of a school group, suggest ONE activity to encourage members to identify with the group's goals. State why you believe this activity will be successful. **(5 marks)**

Total 17 marks

3. (a) Identify TWO rights of Caribbean citizens which are guaranteed by the constitution of their countries. **(2 marks)**

(b) Describe TWO actions of the police that are considered violation of citizens' rights. **(4 marks)**

(c) Give THREE reasons why some citizens may NOT take legal action when their rights are violated by the police. **(6 marks)**

(d) Suggest to the leadership of the police force in your country ONE action the police may take to reassure the citizens that their rights will NOT be violated by them. Write a statement to support the action you have suggested. **(5 marks)**

Total 17 marks

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SECTION B

PART I

DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF RESOURCES

Answer EITHER question 4 OR question 5.

ALL answers MUST be in complete sentences.

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4. (a) Define EACH of the following:

(i) Death rate **(1 mark)**

(ii) Natural increase **(1 mark)**

(b) Describe TWO factors that may have caused the death rate to decline in some Caribbean countries in recent years. **(4 marks)**

(c) The following table shows the birth rate and death rate figures for TWO countries, A and B. Use the table to answer question (c) (i).

Country	Birth Rate per 000	Death Rate per 000
A	21	6
B	15	7

(i) Calculate the natural increase for Countries A and B. **(2 marks)**

(ii) Give TWO reasons why a developing country should strive to reduce its high birth rate. **(4 marks)**

(d) Suggest to the government of your country ONE way it may encourage the citizens to have smaller families. State why the way suggested may be successful. **(5 marks)**

Total 17 marks

5. (a) (i) Name TWO water pollutants. **(2 marks)**

(ii) State TWO ways in which the air becomes polluted. **(4 marks)**

(b) Explain THREE ways in which air pollution affects the quality of life of Caribbean people. **(6 marks)**

(c) Suggest to community groups ONE strategy they may use to reduce air pollution. State why you believe your strategy will work. **(5 marks)**

Total 17 marks

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PART II

Answer EITHER question 6 OR question 7.

Where the question requires an explanation, a suggestion, a proposal or a reason, you should develop your response fully.

6.

The future of the Caribbean has to be grounded in its ability to effectively integrate.

Write an essay on the above topic. Begin your essay by stating with examples THREE areas of co-operation among CARICOM member states. Then, give THREE reasons why the smaller Caribbean states may experience problems when trading with the larger states. Suggest to CARICOM leaders ONE activity which would demonstrate how Caribbean states can integrate more effectively. State why this activity may be successful.

Total 17 marks

7.

Internal Migration in the Caribbean

Write an essay on the above topic. Begin your essay by describing THREE factors that lead to rural – urban migration in Caribbean countries. Then, give THREE reasons why the government of a country may discourage migration into the urban areas. Suggest to urban residents ONE strategy they may use to improve relations between themselves and migrants to their communities. State why you believe your strategy will work. **Total 17 marks**

SECTION C

OPTIONS

Answer only ONE from questions 8 to 10.

Where the question requires an explanation, a suggestion, a proposal or a reason, you should develop your response fully.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS

8.

Energy Conservation Practices in the Home

Write an article for your school newspaper on the above topic. Begin your article by identifying TWO ways in which family members use energy in the home. Then, describe TWO ways in which the family members conserve energy in the home. Next give THREE explanations of how a country may benefit when citizens conserve energy. Suggest ONE strategy that a consumer organization may use to promote energy conservation practices. State why this strategy will work. **Total 17 marks**

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COMMUNICATION

9.

Government and the Mass Media

Write an essay on government ownership of the 'mass media'. In the essay state what is meant by the term 'mass media' and give TWO examples of 'mass media'. Next, state TWO functions of the 'mass media'. Explain THREE benefits to be gained by citizens through government ownership of the media. Suggest ONE action that government may take to improve media services to the public. State why this action may be successful.

Total 17 marks

TOURISM

10.

Developing the Tourism Product

Write an address for a town hall meeting on the above topic. Begin by listing TWO activities that Caribbean countries promote for eco or nature tourism and TWO activities for heritage tourism. Then, state TWO factors that may attract health-conscious tourists to the Caribbean. Explain THREE ways in which Caribbean countries benefit from a variety of tourism products. Finally, suggest to the Ministry of Tourism in your country ONE strategy that may encourage citizens to invest in the tourist industry. State why you believe your strategy will work.

Total 17 marks

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