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**OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS
AS GCE**

F851/01

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

Contemporary Politics of the UK

WEDNESDAY 16 MAY 2012: Morning

DURATION: 1 hour 30 minutes

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Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

OCR SUPPLIED MATERIALS:

- **Insert – F851/01/I (inserted)**

OTHER MATERIALS REQUIRED:

None

READ INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- **The Insert will be found in the centre of this document.**
- **Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes on the first page. Please write clearly and in capital letters.**
- **Use black ink. HB pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.**
- **Answer BOTH questions from Section A and ONE question from Section B.**
- **Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.**
- **You must use your own knowledge and the sources in the Insert to answer Question 1.**
- **Write your answer to each question in the space provided. If additional space is required, you should use the lined pages at the end of this booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.**

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- **The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.**
- **The total number of marks for this paper is 100.**
- **You are advised to spend 65 minutes on Section A and 25 minutes on Section B.**
- **You will be awarded marks in questions 1(b) and 2-5 for the quality of written communication including clarity of expression, structure and presentation of ideas, spelling, punctuation and grammar.**
- **This document consists of 28 pages. Any blank pages are indicated.**

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SECTION A

Answer ALL the questions in this section.

Read the sources in the Insert and use them when answering Question 1.

- 1 (a) Using the sources and your own knowledge, outline what is meant by a two-party system, a multi-party system and a dominant-party system.**
- [12]**

[illegible]

[illegible]

QUESTION 1(b) BEGINS ON PAGE 8

(b) Using the sources and your own knowledge, discuss the advantages and disadvantages of a two-party system. [28]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

QUESTION 2 BEGINS ON PAGE 14.

2 Assess the effectiveness of the methods used by pressure groups to influence government policy. [30]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

SECTION A TOTAL: [70]

QUESTIONS 3, 4 AND 5 BEGIN ON PAGE 20.

SECTION B

Answer ONE question in this section.

Write the number of the question answered in the margin.

- 3 Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of the use of referendums in the United Kingdom. [30]**
- 4 Discuss the view that the Labour and Conservative parties need to change the way they choose their parliamentary candidates. [30]**
- 5 Discuss the view that the election campaign has little impact on the way people vote. [30]**

ADDITIONAL PAGES: If you use the following lined pages to complete the answer(s) to any questions, the question number(s) must be clearly shown in the margin.

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