



ADVANCED GCE

CRITICAL THINKING

Unit 3: Resolution of Dilemmas

F493

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet

OCR Supplied Materials:

- 8 page Answer Booklet
- Resource Booklet

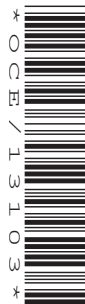
Other Materials Required:

None

Wednesday 27 January 2010

Afternoon

Duration: 1 hour 15 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name clearly in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Use black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

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 **80**.
- You are advised to spend about 15 minutes reading through the Resource Booklet and question paper before attempting to answer the questions.
- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

First read the **Choices** and the **Criteria for Choice** contained in the boxes below.
Then read the **Resource Booklet** before attempting **all** questions.

Choices

In any situation where we have to make decisions we are faced with a number of choices. In response to the shortage of organs for transplant, the following are some of the choices that the Government might make:

- Make “transplant tourism” a criminal offence.
- Change the law so that consent for use is presumed unless the patient has opted out.
- Encourage poorer countries to set up a scheme to pay people for donating organs.
- Allow individual recipients to pay people for donating organs in the UK.
- Allow hospitals to pay people for donating organs in the UK.
- Encourage organ donation without changing the law.

Criteria for Choice

In deciding on a policy in response to the shortage of organs for transplant, the Government needs to consider appropriate criteria, such as:

- Health
- Justice
- Freedom of choice
- Welfare of donors
- Cost

Questions:

- 1 (a) **Document 3** describes a policy of presumed consent. Suggest and briefly explain **one** problem in implementing such a policy. [4]

- (b) **Document 4** describes a policy of payment for organ donation. Suggest and briefly explain **one** problem in implementing such a policy. [4]

- 2 Refer to **Document 3**.

Suggest and briefly explain **two** problems in using the statistics in **the last paragraph of Document 3** to support a policy of presumed consent. [8]

- 3 Select **one** of the choices given in the Choices box. Evaluate this choice as a course of action for the Government in response to the shortage of organs for transplant. You should refer closely and critically to **at least three** of the criteria given in the Criteria box and to the evidence in the Resource Booklet. [24]

- 4 (a) In response to the shortage of organs for transplant, the Government has to decide whether to allow organ donors to be paid or to continue to rely on unpaid volunteers. Explain why this decision is a dilemma. [4]

- (b) Write an argument that attempts to resolve this dilemma. In your argument you should:

- identify some relevant principles (these may be ethical principles);
- assess the extent to which these principles are helpful in terms of resolving the dilemma;
- support your argument with critical use of the evidence in the Resource Booklet. [36]

Total Marks [80]

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