

FORM 4 **SOCIAL STUDIES (GENERAL)** **TIME: 1h 30min**

Name: _____

Class: _____

This examination paper consists of FOUR Sections (A, B, C and D). Students are requested to attempt ALL Sections. Marks for each Section appear between brackets.

Section A: Answer ALL the following questions.

1. Conflict in itself as such is not a bad thing and in fact can be found everywhere. Explain how this could be fruitful and show the difference between a destroying conflict and this type of conflict by giving **TWO** examples. (5 marks)
 2. Who are the social partners involved in labour relations? What is the role of **TWO** of these? (5 marks)
 3. Lately we have very often been hearing the word **recession**. What does this word mean? Explain this in its social and economic context. (5 marks)
 4. The constitution is maintained by three institutions. Mention these institutions and explain the role of **ONE** of these in the upholding of the constitution. (5 marks)
 5. What do we understand by 'society is not a jungle'? Discuss with reference to the process of socialisation. (5 marks)
- 25 marks**

Section B: Read carefully the following passage and then answer ALL the questions that follow.

“Industrialisation has so increased production that it can now almost satisfy all the essential needs of all human beings everywhere. It creates a lot of work and this is of benefit to society. But whilst it is accumulating capital it is increasing the difference between the rich countries and those which are still developing. Mass production also creates a consumerist mentality whereby many of the needs are artificial. Efficiency and profit are more important than any other economic aim.”

1. Explain what we understand by the phrase **mass production**. (5 marks)
 2. What are **human basic needs**? (5 marks)
 3. Show the difference between **needs** and **wants**. Give an example for each of these. (5 marks)
 4. Explain briefly the differences which exist between the developed countries and those that are still developing. (5 marks)
 5. What do you understand by a **consumerist mentality**? State how this creates artificial needs. (5 marks)
 6. What do we understand by “efficiency and profit are more important than any other economic aim”? (5 marks)
 7. Today machines and not workers do most of the industrial work. Explain this process and mention **TWO** problems that this has caused to the worker. (5 marks)
- 35 marks**

Section C: Write a paragraph of about 150 words on ONE of the following.

1. What do we understand by the phrase **social group**? Explain **peer group** and **pressure** and show the difference between the two.
2. In the field of education today we are talking more about the concept of **inclusion**. Write about this and mention how this concept is being put into practice by the new idea of 'no child left behind'.
3. In a democracy a number of principles are usually respected. Say what you mean by **democracy** and explain **THREE** of these principles.

15 marks

Section D: Choose ONE of the following titles and write a composition about it of about 200-250 words. The composition carries 25 marks.

1. "The traditional family is very different from the contemporary one." Discuss.
2. "The process of socialisation is of benefit to the individual and to society". Comment.
3. Write about the function of religion in Maltese society and discuss how the process of secularisation is affecting the religious institution.
4. "Local councils have increased the idea of democracy in the country". Write about the four main aims that the councils uphold and which make sure that the idea of democracy is met.

25 marks

Total: 100 marks