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Modern Political Thought

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Candidates should answer **FOUR** of the following **TWELVE** questions. All questions carry equal marks.

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- 1. Why according to Hobbes, do we need a sovereign?
- 2. Does Hobbes' psychological theory contradict his theory of political obligation?
- 3. Critically assess Locke's account of the origin of the state.
- 4. Under what circumstances, according to Locke, is it acceptable to rebel against the sovereign?
- 5. How does Rousseau explain the origins of inequality?
- 6. Critically assess the nature and conditions of the General Will in Rousseau's *The Social Contract*.
- 7. Does Burke attach any value to individual liberty?
- 8. Is J.S. Mill's utilitarianism compatible with individual rights?
- 9. Why is individuality so important for J.S. Mill?
- 10. Describe and assess the role of class in Marx's theory of history and politics.
- 11. 'Marx replaces politics with economics.' Discuss.
- 12. Examine the nature and derivation of Rawls' two principles of justice.

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