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CIVIC, SOCIAL AND POLITICAL EDUCATION

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Centre Number

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Make sure to write your examination number in the box above.**
2. Answer **all questions** in Section 1 (18 marks)
Answer **any three questions** in Section 2 (42 marks)
Answer **any one question** in Section 3 (20 marks)
Total (80 marks)
3. **Write your answers in the spaces provided.**
4. **Hand up this paper at the end of the examination.**

For the examiner		
	Question	Mark
Section 1	Q1	
	Q2	
	Q3	
Section 2	Q1	
	Q2	
	Q3	
	Q4	
Section 3	Q1	
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SECTION 1

Answer ALL of the questions in this section.

1.

The following photographs are of four organisations that have their headquarters in the cities listed below.

In the spaces provided below match each photograph with the name of the organisation and the city where it has its headquarters.

You may use each organisation and city only ONCE.

Organisation: United Nations General Assembly
Dáil Éireann
European Parliament
United States Congress

City: Washington
Strasbourg
Dublin
New York



(a) Organisation: _____

(b) Organisation: _____

City: _____

City: _____



(c) Organisation: _____

(d) Organisation: _____

City: _____

City: _____

(8 marks)

2. Complete the following sentences by putting the correct word in the spaces provided. The first letter of each word has been given to you.

- (a) The two political parties that make up our coalition government today are
F _____ G _____ and The L _____ P _____ .
- (b) The Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces in Ireland is The P _____ .
- (c) The Irish Constitution can only be changed by the people voting in a R _____ .
- (d) The leader of the Irish government is called the T _____ .
- (e) There are 166 TDs elected to the D _____ .
- (f) To vote in an election in Ireland you must be on the R _____ of E _____ .
- (g) The Parliament of Northern Ireland meets in S _____ Castle. (7 marks)

3. Below are the titles of four Government Departments and a description of the responsibilities of each Department. Match the title of each Government Department with its description by putting the letter **A, B, C or D** beside the description. The first one has been done for you as an example.

Titles:

- A** Department of Finance
B Department of Health
C Department of Justice and Equality
D Department of Education and Skills

Letter	Government Department Description
B	This Department is responsible for the development of health policy and the planning of health services.
	This Department is responsible for public education at primary and post-primary levels. It also manages State support for universities and third-level colleges.
	This Department is responsible for the economic and financial management of the State.
	This Department aims to protect the security of the State, to prevent crime and to protect peoples' rights and freedoms. It also deals with immigration.

(3 marks)

SECTION 2

Answer any **THREE** of the questions numbered 1, 2, 3, 4 below.

Each question carries 14 marks.

1. AGE CARD IRELAND

Study Age Card Ireland – *Advertisement for Section 2, Question 1*, printed on a separate page (page 1).

When you have studied the Advertisement, answer the questions below.

- (a) What is the National Age Card?

Who issues the National Age Card?

What is the purpose of the National Age Card?

(3 marks)

- (b) Name **TWO** pieces of information displayed on the Age Card.

Piece 1: _____

Piece 2: _____

(2 marks)

- (c) What Act is the basis of the Age Card?

(1 mark)

(d) Apart from issuing this card, describe **TWO** other types of work carried out by An Garda Síochána -

Type 1: _____

Type 2: _____

(4 marks)

(e) Unlike many other countries An Garda Síochána do not normally carry any fire-arms/guns. Do you think that this is a good idea? Give **TWO** reasons why this is a good or a bad idea

Reason 1: _____

Reason 2: _____

(4 marks)

2. **IRISH CHARITY SHOPS ASSOCIATION**

Study the Irish Charity Shops Association – *Warning Notice for Section 2, Question 2*, printed on a separate page (page 2).

When you have studied this Warning Notice, answer the questions below.

- (a) What type of donations from the public do charity shops in Ireland rely heavily on?

What are these donations then converted into?

(2 marks)

- (b) Name **THREE** of the charity organisations that raise money through charity shops.

First Charity Organisation: _____

Second Charity Organisation: _____

Third Charity Organisation: _____

(3 marks)

- (c) Describe the chief concern expressed by the public and the media as outlined in this warning notice.

Name one way you can be sure you are dealing with a genuine charity when donating goods.

Concern: _____

Way: _____

(3 marks)

- (d) Name and explain an action that **YOUR CLASS** could take to raise awareness about charity shops that would encourage people in your school to support them.

Name: _____

Explanation: _____

(3 marks)

- (e) Give **THREE** reasons why charity shops are so successful?

Reason 1 _____

Reason 2 _____

Reason 3 _____

(3 marks)

3. REASONS WHY THE VOTING AGE SHOULD BE REDUCED

Study the Reasons Why The Voting Age Should Be Reduced – Campaign Leaflet for Section 2, Question 3, printed on a separate page (page 3).

When you have studied this Campaign Leaflet, answer the questions below.

- (a) What age according to the campaign leaflet should the voting age be reduced to?

What is the name of the organisation that produced this leaflet?

What school subject makes students much better informed than they used to be?

(3 marks)

- (b) Name the **TWO** things that according to the campaign leaflet will happen if 16 and 17 year olds are given voting rights?

First Thing: _____

Second Thing: _____

(2 marks)

- (c) Give **TWO** reasons why the National Youth Council of Ireland (NYCI) believe that a 16 or 17 year old should be allowed to vote.

First Reason: _____

Second Reason: _____

(2 marks)

- (d) Name and describe an action that **YOUR CSPE CLASS** could take to encourage young people to support this campaign to reduce the voting age.

Name of Action: _____

Description: _____

_____ (3 marks)

- (e) Name and describe **TWO** social issues that concern young people.

Issue 1: _____

Description: _____

Issue 2: _____

Description: _____

(4 marks)

4. **BATTERIES BACK**

Study the Batteries Back - *Webpage for Section 2, Question 4*, printed on a separate page (page 4).

When you have studied this Webpage answer the questions below.

- (a) How much does it cost to recycle waste batteries?

What type of batteries can be brought for recycling?

Where should you store used batteries that you collect?

(3 marks)

- (b) Name **THREE** ways that your used batteries can be collected for recycling.

First way: _____

Second way: _____

Third way: _____

(3 marks)

- (c) Give **TWO** reasons why batteries should be recycled.

Reason 1: _____

Reason 2: _____

(2 marks)

(d) Give **ONE** example of how each of the following could help to reduce the amount of waste they produce:

A school : _____

A shop: _____

A family/ household: _____

(3 marks)

(e) Explain the connection between being a good citizen and being aware of the environment.

(3 marks)

SECTION 3

Answer **ONE** of the questions numbered 1, 2, 3, 4 below.

Each question carries **20** marks.

A blank page for the poster questions has been included at the back of this answer book.

If you need extra paper to answer this question, please ask the Examination Superintendent for it.

1. UNIVERSAL CHILDREN'S DAY



The 20th of November is Universal Children's Day because it is the date on which the General Assembly of the United Nations adopted the Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). It did this to protect the rights of children. Your CSPE class has decided to carry out an Action Project to celebrate this day in your school.

- (a) **NAME** and **EXPLAIN** your Action Project giving **TWO** reasons why you have chosen this particular action as a way of celebrating Universal Children's Day. (6 marks)
- (b) Write a letter to the Principal of your school asking permission to carry out this Action Project. Make sure to include **TWO** reasons why you want to do this project. (6 marks)
- (c) Write an article about the Universal Children's Day Celebration for your school newsletter. Include a paragraph about the Convention on the Rights of the Child. Give examples of **THREE** children's rights and how these rights can be abused. (8 marks)

2. OUR LADY'S CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, CRUMLIN



Your CSPE class has decided to carry out an Action Project in which you are going to fundraise for the National Children's Medical and Research Foundation in Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin.

According to their website money raised for this cause helps to fund 'discoveries that mean less pain for children in Ireland, a higher survival rate and less time in hospital.' (www.cmrf.org)

- (a) As it is difficult to raise money at the moment, it is your job to come up with ideas for fundraising for the Hospital. Name **THREE** different methods of fundraising that you would propose to your class and explain why you have chosen them. (6 marks)
- (b) Design the poster you would use to **ENCOURAGE** people to donate money at your fundraising event. Make sure to include a **SLOGAN** on your poster.
(A blank page for the poster has been included at the back of this answer-book). (6 marks)
- (c) **NAME** and **DESCRIBE** the work of **FOUR** teams that you would set up in order to carry out your fundraising project. (8 marks)

3. A YOUTH CENTRE FOR THE LOCAL AREA



A local person has donated a building to the community and it is proposed that it should become a youth centre for the area. Some of the local people would prefer to see it used for other purposes.

Your CSPE class has decided to carry out an Action Project on this issue.

- (a) Write a letter to your local T.D. giving at least **THREE** reasons why you think that a youth centre would be a benefit to your community. Make sure to explain that you are writing on behalf of your class and how strongly young people feel about this issue. (8 marks)
- (b) A public meeting in your local community hall has been called to allow people to discuss this issue and to try and agree what the building should be used for. Your class has the job of trying to encourage young people to attend this meeting. Design the poster you would use to **ENCOURAGE** young people to attend this meeting and to have their voices heard. Include a **SLOGAN** on your poster.
(A blank page for the poster has been included at the back of this answer-book). (6 marks)
- (c) Apart from having a community meeting and writing a letter to a T.D., name and describe **THREE OTHER** actions that your CSPE class could take to promote a youth centre in your area. (6 marks)

4. FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT



® Fairtrade helps farmers and workers in the developing world to get better prices for their product and better working conditions. Fairtrade Fortnight happens in March each year to encourage people to make a special effort to buy Fairtrade products.

Your CSPE class is very interested in exploring this issue by doing an Action Project on it. You would like the class to do a survey about Fairtrade as your Action Project.

- (a) Give **THREE** arguments you would use to convince your class to do a survey about Fairtrade as your Action Project. (6 marks)
- (b) Name and describe **THREE** committees or groups you would need to carry out the survey. Name **ONE** thing that you would do with the survey results to make sure that the survey has been useful. (8 marks)
- (c) Apart from doing a survey, name and describe **THREE** actions you could carry out in school during Fairtrade Fortnight to raise awareness about Fairtrade products among the students. (6 marks)

Please tick [✓] the question from Section 3 that you are answering

Q. 1

Q. 2

Q. 3

Q. 4

For answering the POSTER Question [Q2 (b) or Q3 (b)] in Section 3 only