

INSIGHT Trial Exam Paper

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Written examination

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QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK

Reading time: 15 minutes Writing time: 2 hours

Structure of book

Number of questions	Number of questions to be answered	Number of marks
12	12	60

- Students are permitted to bring the following items into the examination: pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners and rulers.
- Students are NOT permitted to bring sheets of paper or white out liquid/tape into the examination.
- Calculators are not permitted in this examination.

Materials provided

- The question and answer book of 16 pages.
- Additional writing space is provided at the end of this book if you require more space to complete an answer.

Instructions

- Write your **name** in the box provided.
- Make use of the stimulus material where included. However, it is not intended that this material will provide all the information to fully answer the question.
- You must answer the questions in English.

Students are NOT permitted to bring mobile phones or any other electronic devices into the examination.

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Instructions

Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided. In Question 12 answer either part **a.** or **b.** Indicate which part, **a.** or **b.**, of Question 12 you have answered.

Question 1	
What is the role of the Governor-General in relation to the legislative process?	
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Question 2 We have a federal constitution. Why is it possible for there to be different laws on the same top every Australian state?	pic in

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Identify and explain two disadvantages of conciliation.	
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Question 6	
What needs to take place for the Constitution to be changed? Given the history of referenda in Australia, what issues can impact on their success?	

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	For Question 12, indicate the part (a. or b.) you have chosen in the box provided.	
Que	estion 12	
a.	"Courts are really quite weak lawmakers. No matter what they do, their laws are always to change."	subject
	Do you agree? Evaluate our courts as law-making bodies and reach a conclusion.	
	OR	
b.	"Criminal and civil procedure is never free of problems."	
	Explain one recent/current problem with criminal procedure and one recent/current problem civil procedure.	olem with
	Identify recent/proposed changes to reduce/remove each of these problems.	
	What will be the implications of each change for the effective operation of our legal syst	tem?
	Either a. or b.	

12 marks

Extra space for responses
