Eton College King’s Scholarship Examination 2010

GENERAL II

(One and a half hours)

Answer two questions.

Each question must be answered by a full essay laying out your arguments and providing support for your views wherever possible. Marks will be awarded for interesting and considered ideas.

Spend about 45 minutes on each question.

1. Should voting in national elections be made compulsory?

2. ‘The richest in a society have a duty to support others through higher taxes.’ Do you agree?

3. ‘Religion should have no role in political life.’ Discuss.

4. Do advances in technology mean that printed books and newspapers are doomed?

5. Are developing countries morally obliged to limit their economic growth in order to comply with international environmental targets linked to global warming?

6. Is a belief in hell reasonable?

7. Can music tell us much about the culture in which it was written and first performed?

8. ‘In times of economic crisis, art galleries, museums, and other cultural institutions should be the first targets of cuts in government funding.’ Discuss.

9. Should schools attempt to restrict the use of the Internet by their pupils?

10. Some countries have compulsory military service for their young people: is this a good idea?

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