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A2 GCE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

F854/01/1 Political Ideas and Concepts

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In answering each question, you are expected to cover relevant political ideas and concepts and, where appropriate, make reference to the views of political thinkers.

SECTION A

Answer the question in this section.

Use the source below and your own knowledge to answer Question 1.

Source for Question 1

Liberal democracy is now the most common form of representative democracy. The term originated during the Age of Enlightenment in the 18th century. The development of the ideas of liberalism and protective democracy helped to establish a liberal democratic-style system in the newly independent United States of America. This regime sought to combine aspects of liberal theory with voting rights for its citizens. Liberal democracy in the UK evolved over many centuries, with notable milestones including the signing of the Magna Carta in 1215 and the passing of the Bill of Rights in 1689.

- 1 (a) Outline what is meant by liberal democracy. [10]
- (b) Discuss whether liberalism or democracy is more important to liberal democracy. [15]

SECTION B

Answer **three** questions from this section.

- 2 'Sovereignty should reside in parliament.' Discuss. [25]
- 3 Assess whether authority is necessary for the operation of the state. [25]
- 4 Discuss the view that animals should have rights. [25]
- 5 To what extent are procedural and substantive theories of justice similar? [25]
- 6 To what extent can the New Right be considered conservative? [25]
- 7 To what extent do socialist and conservative theories of human nature differ? [25]
- 8 To what extent is postmodernism an ideology? [25]



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