



ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY GCE
CRITICAL THINKING
 Introduction to Critical Thinking

F501

Candidates answer on the question paper

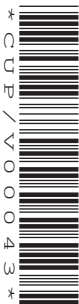
OCR Supplied Materials:

- Resource Booklet

Other Materials Required:
 None

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name clearly in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the boxes above.
- Use black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided, however additional paper may be used if necessary.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **75**.
- You are advised to spend approximately 10 minutes reading the resource materials, 30 minutes on Section A and about 45 minutes on Section B.
- Marks are available for the quality of written communication in your answers.
- Read each passage in the Resource Booklet before starting to answer the questions.
- This document consists of **8** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Section A – The language of reasoning

Answer **all** questions.

You should read the background information and then refer to **Document 1** ‘Ecotowns: Location, location, location!’ in order to answer questions in Section A.

1 Consider **paragraphs 1 and 2**.

You should use the exact words of the author in your answers to questions **1(a)**, **1(b)** and **1(c)**.

(a) State the **main conclusion** of the argument presented in these paragraphs.

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(b) State two reasons that are given to support the main conclusion in these paragraphs.

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(c) State the **counter argument** given in these paragraphs.

- counter conclusion
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- counter reason
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2 In **paragraph 5** the Royal Town Planning Institute responded to the proposal by stating ‘...the Government risked creating a “soulless suburbia”, if it did not ensure the new settlements were well-linked to existing developments.’

(a) Name the argument element used.

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(b) Explain your answer to **2(a)**.

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3 **Paragraph 3** gives the example of the views of a tennis player’s father against the plans for an ecotown in Oxfordshire.

Explain **two** ways in which his views might or might not be representative of the local residents.

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4 (a) State the assumption that is needed to support the reasoning about ecotown houses in the **caption** under the image in **paragraph 1**.

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(b) Suggest **one** reason, other than achieving energy efficiency that would make ecotowns a good idea.

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Section B – Credibility

Answer **all** questions.

You should refer to Documents 1 and 2 in order to answer the questions in Section B.

6 Assess how far the TCPA report in **Document 2** is credible.

You should make **two** points. Each point should identify and use a relevant credibility criterion to assess the credibility of the document, supported by reference to the text.

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7 In **paragraph 5 of Document 1**, the Local Government Association predicts a negative future for ecotowns.

(a) Identify a claim and its source, within either Document 1 or 2, that would be **consistent** with this prediction.

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(b) Identify a claim and its source, within either Document 1 or 2 that would be **inconsistent** with this prediction.

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- 8 (a) Refer to **Document 1**. Assess the credibility of one claim made by the **Housing Minister** and one made by the **Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE)**.

Apply **two** credibility criteria to explain how these may strengthen or weaken the credibility of the selected claim.

Housing Minister's claim

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Assessment

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Campaign to Protect Rural England's claim

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Assessment

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(b) Explain what other information you would need to know in order to reach one of your points of assessment in **8(a)** about the credibility of the Campaign to Protect Rural England's claim. You should make **one** precise point.

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9 Referring to the material within the documents come to a judgement as to whether ecotowns will have a positive or negative future. You should make a reasoned case with a judgement based on:

- the relative credibility of both sides
- the relative plausibility (likelihood) of both outcomes

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Section B Total [40]

Paper Total [75]



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