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Annual Examinations for Secondary Schools 2014

FORM 3                     EUROPEAN STUDIES                       TIME: 1h 30min

Name: _______________________________                      Class: _______________

This examination paper consists of TWO parts, Part I and Part II. Candidates are to attempt BOTH parts and to read carefully the instructions within each part.

PART I

Choose any THREE sections from Part I and answer ALL the questions in the chosen sections.

Section 1 – Power and People

1. Lija’s story

Lija, an African-Caribbean woman, tells what happened to her when she went to apply for the job of salesperson in an outlet in the UK:

“I saw a job for a sales assistant advertised in the window of a clothes outlet. They wanted someone between 18 and 23. I’m 19, so I went in and asked the manager about the job. She told me to come back in two days because not enough people had applied.

I returned twice and was always told the same thing. Nearly a week later I went back to the shop. The job advertisement was still in the window. The manager was too busy to see me, but I was told that the vacancy had been filled.

After I left the shop, I was so upset that I asked a local friend if she would go in and ask about the job. When she came out she said that she had been asked to come for an interview on Monday.”

(1.1) Why, do you think, did the shop manager behave in this way?

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(1.2) Do you consider the above as a case of inequality? On what grounds are several people treated unequally?

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(1.3) Do you think that inequality should be accepted in democratic societies? Why?

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(1.4) Pluralism is a very important principle of a democratic society. What do you understand by the term pluralism?

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(1.5) Mention TWO examples of pluralism which are evident in Malta.

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ii.  ________________________________________________________________________ (2)

(1.6) Active citizenship refers to the involvement of individuals in public life and affairs. Discuss ways in which citizens of a country can be active and participatory citizens.

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2. Explain what is meant by the term subsidiarity.

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Section 2 – Economic Development and Changes in Europe

1. Mention **THREE** advantages of underground rail transport in Europe’s major cities.
   
i.  
   
   ii.  
   
   iii.  
   
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(2.1) Which sector of production is concerned with the manufacturing and processing of goods?

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(2.2) With which particular economic sector do we associate the extraction of raw materials?

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(2.3) Give another term frequently used for the tertiary sector. Give **THREE** examples of jobs that are related to this sector.

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(2.4) What is international trade with restrictions of imports or exports called?

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(2.5) What do you understand by the term **protectionism**? In what ways does protectionism encourage infant industries to enter the competitive market?

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3. Give **THREE** advantages of e-Commerce.

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Section 3 – Demographic and Social Realities

(1.1) Mention **TWO** reasons why a significant population change can occur in a European country.

i. ________________________________________________________________________  

ii. ________________________________________________________________________ (2)

(1.2) Mention **THREE** examples of the following factors that influence migration in Europe.

**Push factors:**

i. ________________________________________________________________________  

ii. ________________________________________________________________________  

iii. ________________________________________________________________________ (3)

**Pull factors:**

i. ________________________________________________________________________  

ii. ________________________________________________________________________  

iii. ________________________________________________________________________ (3)

(1.3) A large number of immigrant workers in European countries may lead to social and economic discrimination. Do you agree with this statement? Why?

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Section 4 – Europeans and their Environment

(1.1) What do you understand by the word **health**?

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(1.2) Various surveys show that mortality rates due to heart attacks, cancer and strokes are on the increase in Europe. Comment by making reference to disease prevention.

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(1.3) What accounts for an increase in life expectancy in the 20th century?

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Section 5 – Cultural Heritage

(1.1) Generally, culture is taken to encompass the values and lifestyles that countries enjoy. It includes many elements, among them tradition and history. Discuss what gives a country its national identity.

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(1.2) European countries have different national identities. In fact, Europe has often been regarded as the most diverse continent on the face of the Earth. Discuss.

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(1.3) Do you think that it is possible that this diversity can result in conflicts between European countries or within the same country?

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PART II  

(Total: 34 marks)

Answer any TWO questions in essay form.

Section 1 – Power and People

a) What is the difference between national citizenship and European citizenship?

b) European citizenship is best seen as a special type of status which entitles citizens certain rights in several areas. Discuss.  

(17 marks)

Section 2 – Economic Development and Changes in Europe

a) What are the main advantages and disadvantages of air transport?

b) London Heathrow Airport is a major international airport. Discuss.  

(17 marks)

Section 3 – Demographic and Social Realities

Explain why tourism is considered as one of the major industries of Europe today.  

(17 marks)

Section 4 – Europeans and their Environment

Air pollution poses health risks to millions of people every day, contributing to asthma, emphysema, and other potentially lethal conditions. Managing air pollution causes is critical to the health of our communities. Discuss.  

(17 marks)

Section 5 – Cultural Heritage

Discuss the effects of globalisation of the media on Europe.  

(17 marks)