

Annual Examinations for Secondary Schools 2022

YEAR 11 SOCIAL STUDIES (General)

Name: _____

Class: _____

This examination paper consists of FOUR sections (A, B, C and D). Students must answer ALL sections. Sections C and D are to be written on a separate sheet of paper. The marks for each section appear between brackets.

Section A: Fill in the blanks from the following words.

European Union	natural resources	multinational companies	European Parliament	treaties
pollution	Malta	solidarity	diversity	environment

1. The motto of the European Union is "United in _____".
2. The _____ currently counts 27 countries.
3. _____ operate around the whole world .
4. Separating waste is an act of conserving the _____.
5. Gas and oil are examples of _____.
6. _____ are agreements among member states of the European Union.
7. _____ became a member of the European Union in 2004.
8. _____ is bad for the environment.
9. One of the main values held by the European Union is _____.
10. The _____ is the European Union's law making body.

(2x10=20 marks)

Section B: Underline the correct answer.

1. The United Nations was formed
 - a. after World War II
 - b. with the establishment of the European Union
 - c. when the world became globalised
2. The United Nations is committed
 - a. to maintain international peace and security
 - b. to safeguard the environment
 - c. to maintain sustainable development
3. NGO's that promote a better environment
 - a. work towards sustainable development
 - b. implement laws
 - c. are in favour of pollution
4. Water pollution is caused by
 - a. high rise buildings
 - b. pesticides and detergents
 - c. deforestation
5. Global warming refers to
 - a. sound pollution
 - b. sustainability
 - c. an increase in the world's temperature
6. Sustainable development refers to development
 - a. without restrictions
 - b. that approves more buildings
 - c. without harming the environment
7. The aim of Fair Trade is
 - a. to safeguard the rights of workers and small scale producers
 - b. to safeguard the rights of multinational companies
 - c. to maximize profits at the detriment of the workers
8. Globalisation has led to
 - a. less discussions between countries
 - b. solidarity only between neighbouring countries
 - c. an increased interdependence between countries
9. Exportation occurs when
 - a. goods and services are sold outside the country
 - b. goods and services are brought into the country for sale
 - c. profits are increased by means of purchase of goods
10. Malta's membership in the European Union has led to
 - a. more unity in the United Nations
 - b. the founding of ERA
 - c. the introduction of the euro

(2x10=20 marks)

Section C: Read this passage carefully and then answer ALL the questions on a separate paper.

The coronavirus pandemic represents a shock to the **global** and European Union economies, with very severe economic and social consequences. The challenges created by the pandemic in 2020 highlight once again the importance of economic and political coordination in the EU. In 2020, the Commission also began integrating the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals as part of its strategy to focus on sustainability and building a strong economy.

In March, the Commission published a new Industrial Strategy for Europe that outlines how to create the right conditions to help industries stay globally competitive and for companies of all sizes to thrive. The strategy will help support Europe's recovery. The pandemic highlighted how the EU's global dependencies can affect our ability to react in a crisis.

Adapted from: The European Union in 2020 <https://op.europa.eu/webpub/com/general-report-2020/mt/>

1. Mention **five** countries that are found in the European Union. (5)
2. Explain the term *global* in the passage. (5)
3. *The coronavirus pandemic represents a shock to the global and EU economies, with very severe economic and social consequences.* Explain this sentence. (6)
4. a. Why is interdependence between countries in the European Union important? (3)
b. Mention **two** benefits brought about by interdependence between EU countries. (4)
5. a. What do we understand by global solidarity? (3)
b. Give **two** examples how this is taking place. (4)
6. What is the work of the European Commission? (5)

(35 marks)

Section D: On a separate paper, write a paragraph of around 130 words on ONE of the following.

1. The European Union is a unique economic and political union between 27 European countries. Discuss.
2. Explain and analyse the role of the Maltese state in favour of sustainable development in our country.
3. Discuss the relationship between globalisation and mass media.

(25 marks)

(Total: 100 marks)