

CANBERRA SECONDARY SCHOOL

2019 Preliminary Examination



Secondary Four Express / Five Normal Academic

HUMANITIES Social Studies (2272/01 & 2273/01) 16 September 2019 1 hour 45 minutes 0820h – 1005h

Name:

) Class: _____

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your full name, class and index number in the spaces provided on the question paper and on any separate writing papers used.

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Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

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Section A Answer **all parts** of Question 1.

Section B Answer **both parts of** Question 2.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

Start every section on a fresh sheet of writing paper.

Hand in Sections A and B **separately**.

FOR MARKER'S USE			
	Marks	Max	
	Awarded	Marks	
Section A		35	
Section B		15	
Total		50	

Section A (Source-Based Case Study)

Question 1 is **compulsory** for all candidates.

1 Exploring citizenship and governance

Study the Background Information and the sources carefully, and then answer **all** the questions.

You may use any of the sources to help you answer the questions, in addition to those sources which you are told to use. In answering the questions, you should use your knowledge of the issue to help you interpret and evaluate the sources.

(a) Study Source A.

	What is the message of the cartoon? Explain your answer.	[5]
(b)	Study Sources B and C. Do you think Source B agrees with Source C? Explain your answer.	[6]
(c)	Study Source D. How surprised are you by this source? Explain your answer.	[7]
(d)	Study Sources E and F.	
	How far does Source E prove that Source F is accurate? Explain your answer.	[7]

(e) "Immigrants are welcomed in America."

Using sources in this case study, explain how far you would agree with this statement.

[10]

How far have immigrants been welcomed in America?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Read this carefully. It may help you answer some of the questions.

Immigration has played an important role in American history, and the United States continues to have the most open immigration policy in the world. The United States is home to the world's largest immigrant population (41 million). America's openness to immigrants have enriched its culture, expanded economic opportunity, and enhanced its influence in the world. Immigrants have also complemented native-born workers and raised general productivity through innovation and entrepreneurship. However, immigrants also face prejudices and tensions can be felt between the locals and immigrants. Immigrants have been blamed for competing with the locals for jobs, lowering of wages, increased crime rate and overcrowding on roads.

Study the following sources to find out whether immigrants are welcomed in US.

Source A: A cartoonist's depiction of how US President Donald Trump views immigrants published in the Seattle Times, a US newspaper, in 2018.



*Hondurans are people from Central America and are immigrants in US

Source B: Findings from a research conducted by a US research agency published in January, 2019.

In recent years, a majority (62%) say immigrants strengthen the country because of their hard work and talents. Just 28% say immigrants are a burden on the country because they take jobs, housing and health care, according to a new survey by Pew Research Center. These attitudes have changed little in the past few years, but they are very different from a quarter-century ago. In 1994, attitudes were nearly the reverse of what they are today: 63% of Americans said immigrants burdened the country and 31% said they strengthened it.

Source C: An American cartoonist's depiction of the view towards immigrants published online in July, 2015.



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Source D: A protest by Americans in response to the government ban on immigrants entering US published in an American news website in January, 2017.

Source E: An account from an American Chinese, published in the South China Morning Post, a Hong Kong newspaper, in October 2018.

After living in the US for nearly 70 years, I cannot even consider thinking of anywhere else as home. And yet the US I'm living in today is not the US I remember. It is not the same country that welcomed me as a young man, the country I fell in love with and chose to make my home. The images of acceptance and hope that compelled so many to come to the US are being replaced by "get out" signs. Despite the economic benefit that the Chinese immigrants bring, their presence in the US is often negatively received. Their behavior is often mocked and their prevalence in the college campuses is often treated like a plague rather than the financial boon it actually is.

Source F: A news article from Forbes, an economist magazine in the US, published in August 2018.

Far from being a drain on an economy, immigrants are actually an engine that helps drive innovation and growth. That influx is especially important when looking at high-skilled workers. Researchers also found that even though foreign-born people make up about 13% of the US population, immigrant entrepreneurs create some 25% of new companies, and that number continues to rise. Immigrant-led companies start smaller but grow at a faster rate and are more likely to survive long term.

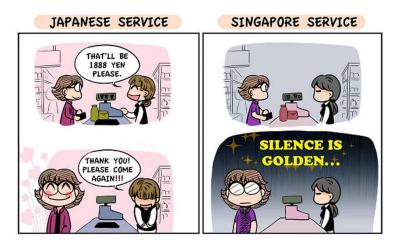
Section B (Structured-Response Question)

Question 2 is **compulsory** for all candidates.

2. Exploring Citizenship and Governance

Study the extracts carefully, and then answer the questions.

Extract 1



Extract 2

Meritocracy recognises talent and ability over wealth and circumstance of birth. However, we should move away from a narrow focus on past academic merit, to recognise and celebrate a broader range of skills, talents and strengths.

Extract 3

Good governance and leadership in both the private and public sectors will be key to helping Singapore manage an increasingly complex and unpredictable future, said Finance Minister Heng Swee Keat

(a) Extract 1 shows the lack of graciousness Singaporeans display.

In your opinion, how do you think the government can encourage Singaporeans to be more gracious? Explain your answer using **two** strategies. [7]

(b) Extracts 2 and 3 reflect on the principle of meritocracy and having a good leadership to ensure the development of Singapore.

Do you think that the principle of meritocracy or good leadership should be more important in ensuring the development of Singapore? Explain your answer. [8]

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