

ST. ANDREW'S JUNIOR COLLEGE
JC2 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATIONS



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H2 KNOWLEDGE & INQUIRY (PAPER 1)

Thursday

27 August 2009

3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your name, Civics Group and index number on the writing paper.

Answer **two** questions, **one** from Section A and **one** from Section B

Write your answer on the separate writing paper provided.

If you use more than one sheet of paper, fasten the sheets together.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Start the answer to each section on a fresh sheet of paper and submit each section separately.

Section A (30 marks)

Answer **one (1)** question
1,000 – 1,200 words

1. Discuss the proposition that the only thing we know is that we know nothing.
2. 'Truth is what we make of it'. Discuss this statement with reference to two different fields of knowledge

Section B (30 marks)

Answer **one (1)** question
1,000 – 1,200 words

1. 'Some modes of inquiry are less reliable and hence, less useful than others.' Discuss this proposition with reference to historical inquiry and at least one other mode of inquiry.
2. The East-West dichotomy may be an illusion, but it is a useful illusion. Discuss.
3. National identities are an obstacle to knowledge construction. Do you agree?
4. How we acquire knowledge is less important than what we gain from knowledge. Discuss.

End of paper