



**ADVANCED GCE
CRITICAL THINKING**
Unit 3: Resolution of Dilemmas

F493

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet

OCR Supplied Materials:

- 16 page Answer Booklet
- Resource Booklet

Other Materials Required:

None

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Duration: 1 hour 15 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name clearly in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- 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.
- 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 **80**.
- You are advised to spend about 15 minutes reading through the Resource Booklet and question paper before attempting to answer the questions.
- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

First read the **Choices** and the **Criteria for Choice** contained in the boxes below. Then read the **Resource Booklet** before attempting **all** questions.

Choices

In any situation where we have to make decisions we are faced with a number of choices. In the case of the arms trade, the following represents a range of choices that the UK Government might make:

- Ban the arms trade
- Limit the export of arms to allies of the UK only
- Neither restrict nor support the arms trade
- Continue to support the arms trade

Criteria for Choice

In deciding on a policy for the arms trade, the Government needs to consider appropriate criteria, such as:

- National security
- Benefit to the UK economy
- Employment
- Ethical behaviour in government

Questions:

1 Refer to **Documents 1 and 2**.

Identify and briefly explain

(a) **one** factor from Document 1 which might influence some people to oppose the arms trade. [4]

(b) **one** factor from Document 2 which might influence some people to support the arms trade. [4]

2 Refer to **Document 3**.

(a) Identify and briefly explain **one** problem in using **Document 3** to estimate the importance of the arms trade to the economy of the UK. [4]

(b) Identify and briefly explain **one** problem in using **Document 3** to estimate how involved countries are in military conflict. [4]

3 Select **one** of the choices given in the Choices box. Evaluate this choice as a course of action for the Government. You should refer closely and critically to at least 3 of the criteria in the Criteria box and to the documents in the Resource Booklet. [24]

4 (a) The Government needs to decide whether to continue to support the arms trade or to discourage it. Explain why this decision is a dilemma. [4]

(b) Write an argument that attempts to resolve this dilemma. In your argument you should:

- identify some relevant principles (these may be ethical principles);
- assess the extent to which these principles are helpful in terms of resolving the dilemma;
- support your argument with critical use of the evidence in the Resource Booklet. [36]

Total Marks [80]



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