



DOWNE HOUSE  
16+ ENTRANCE PAPER 2012/2013

GENERAL PAPER  
Time: 60 minutes

Name \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Please put your name and school at the top of each page used.
- Choose ONE essay question and write an essay of up to three sides of A4.
- Your essay should include references to current national or global events, historical evidence and your own wider reading.
- Please include an essay plan.

Marks will be awarded for clear, interesting and considered arguments.

- a) Evaluate the merit of investing public funds into hosting the London Olympics 2012, when so many other social problems are in need of immediate investment.
- b) 'There should always be a separation of Church and State'. What do you think? Justify your reasons.
- c) 'Conscription should be abolished.' Discuss.
- d) What does the Arab Spring tell us?
- e) 'There is a place for violent protest'. Is this an acceptable view?
- f) 'Harming any living being is the same as harming one's family'. Does this belief have any validity?
- g) Project Prevention, an American Charity, offers \$300 to every drug addict who consents to sterilisation. Discuss whether this is a good thing.
- h) What do you believe is the most important scientific discovery?
- i) 'Euthanasia should be legalised in the UK'. Discuss.

**END OF EXAMINATION**