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TEST OF ACADEMIC LITERACY FOR POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS

Time: 120 minutes

Marks: 100

General information

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3. By placing your signature below, you declare that you are fully informed about the above, and give your permission that the information may be used for research without identifying you as an individual.

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Signature

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Date

Test instructions

1. Write your name and student number on this test, as well as on the loose answer sheet. You have to hand in both of these documents. Answer all multiple choice questions on the loose answer sheet.
2. Use dark ink or, preferably, a soft pencil, which will allow you to erase and correct errors.
3. More than one answer for the same question, or answers that have been scratched out, are not accepted.
4. Use BLOCK LETTERS to complete the text fields, and use only one letter per block, without touching the sides of the block. Begin on the left. Do not place commas or full stops between letters or words. Leave a block open to indicate a space.
5. Enter your answers in the spaces (circles or blocks) as required – see the specific instructions.
6. Sections and questions are arranged vertically (from top to bottom). Please answer each question in the correct space. If you do not know the answer, leave the space open.
7. Do not fold the answer sheet, crumple it, scratch on it or damage it in any way.
8. No pocket calculators or own paper is allowed.