



# Paper Three: Higher Level – Global interactions

## Key features:

### Higher Level only

**Timing:** You have one hour to complete one question.

**Choice:** Choose one out of three questions.

### Structure:

Part (a) requires a short essay on one of the topics of the theme. The command terms used are straightforward, such as *describe* and *explain*.

Part (b) requires a more synoptic view of the theme and an analytical approach, and uses command terms such as *discuss*, and *evaluate*

Both parts of the question should be written in the style of an essay and require careful planning. Spend at least five minutes writing a plan to make sure that you cover the main points in a logical order and always draw a conclusion even if you are running out of time. The question may not ask for examples, but your answer should be supported by factual evidence from the real world; examples and case studies are important. If you are asked to present an argument, remember to address both sides although your answer may be biased.

- 1 a Explain how new transport and communications technology have influenced the process of international interaction. [10 marks]  
b Globalization is to blame for the global environmental problems that exist today. Discuss this view. [15 marks]
- 2 a Explain how the power of the nation-state might be reduced by globalization. [10 marks]  
b Discuss the consequences of the increasing involvement of transnational corporations in global food production and consumption. [15 marks]
- 3 a Explain the global pattern of financial flows. [10 marks]  
b Loss of cultural diversity is an undesirable consequence of international interaction. Discuss this view. [15 marks]