



**THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND
COLLEGE OF PSYCHIATRISTS**

MOCK WRITTENS CRITICAL ESSAY PAPER 2021

(Produced by the New Zealand Training Programmes)

CANDIDATE'S NAME:

DATE:

DIRECTIONS:

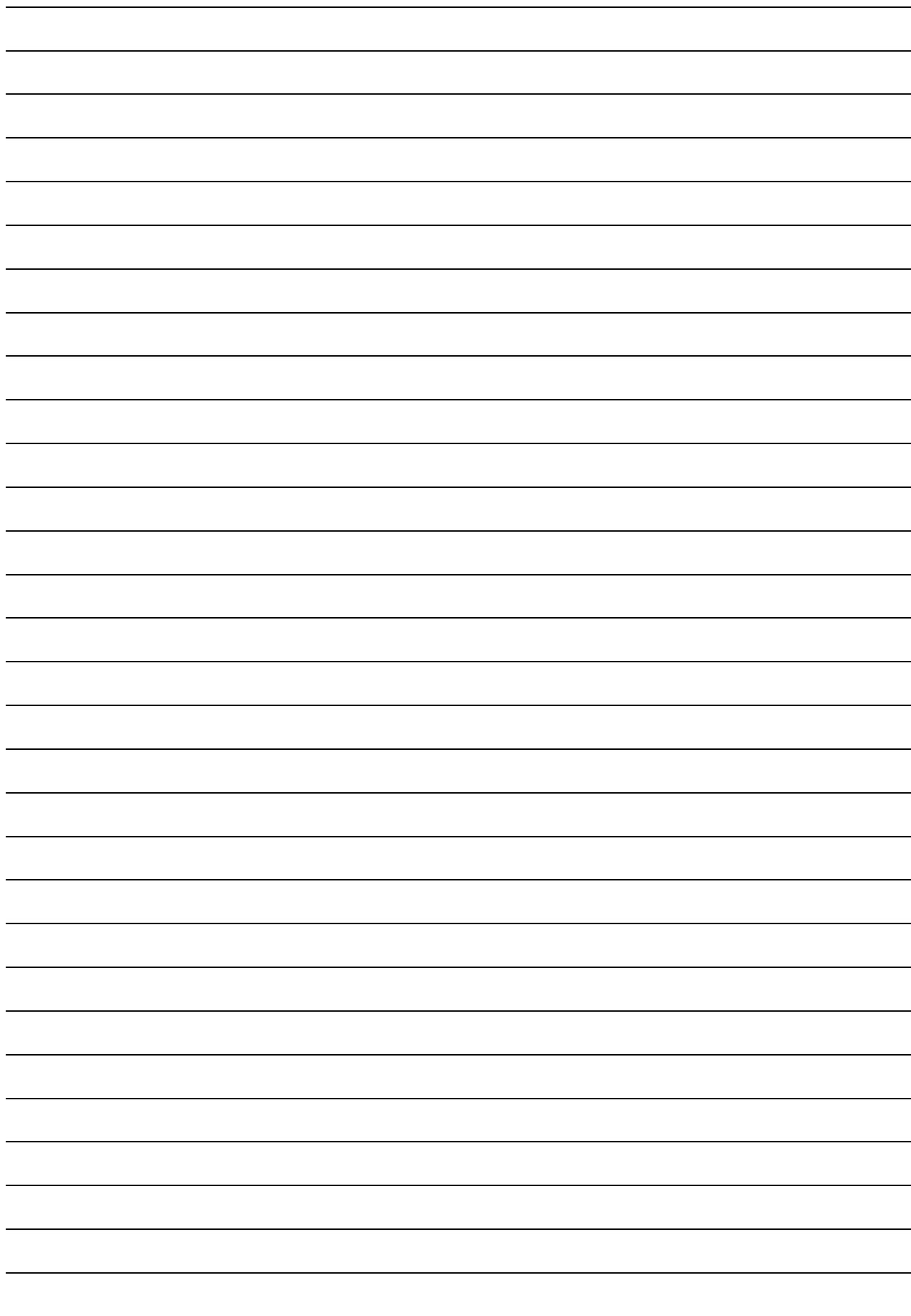
- **This paper takes 50 minutes and is worth 40 marks. Candidates may begin writing their essay in this booklet at any point after the examination commences.**
- **Please use a black or blue ball-point pen to write your responses in the following pages. Write within the lines, on lined pages only. Answers written on blank pages will not be marked.**
- **You can request additional spare pages from the invigilator if needed. Write your name on the top of any extra page and interleave the page into the booklet at the appropriate place.**
- **Do not use the scrap paper provided to add any additional pages – always ask the invigilator for additional lined pages.**

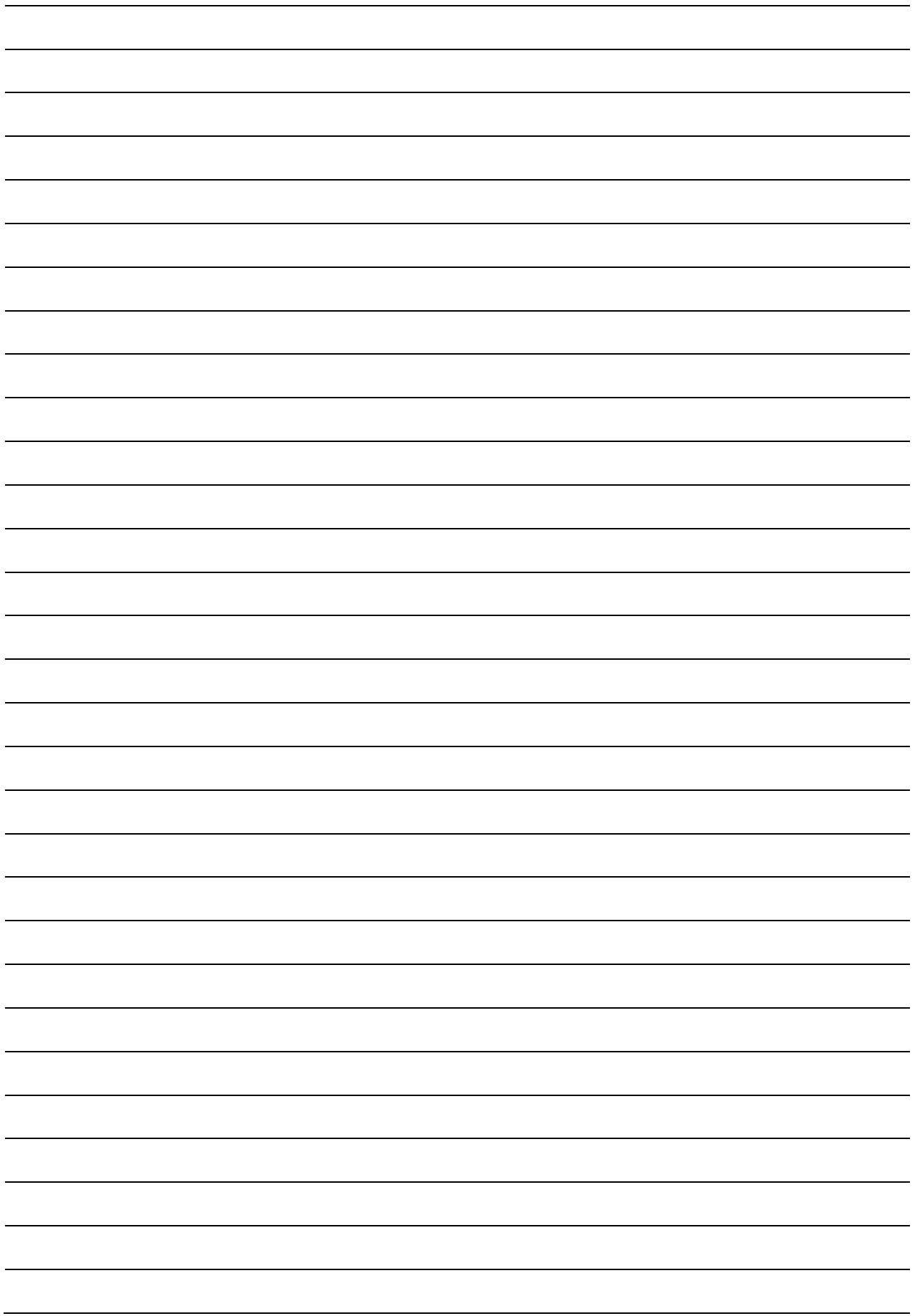
Critical Essay Question: (40 marks)

In essay form, critically discuss this quotation from different points of view relevant to the practice of psychiatry and provide your conclusion.

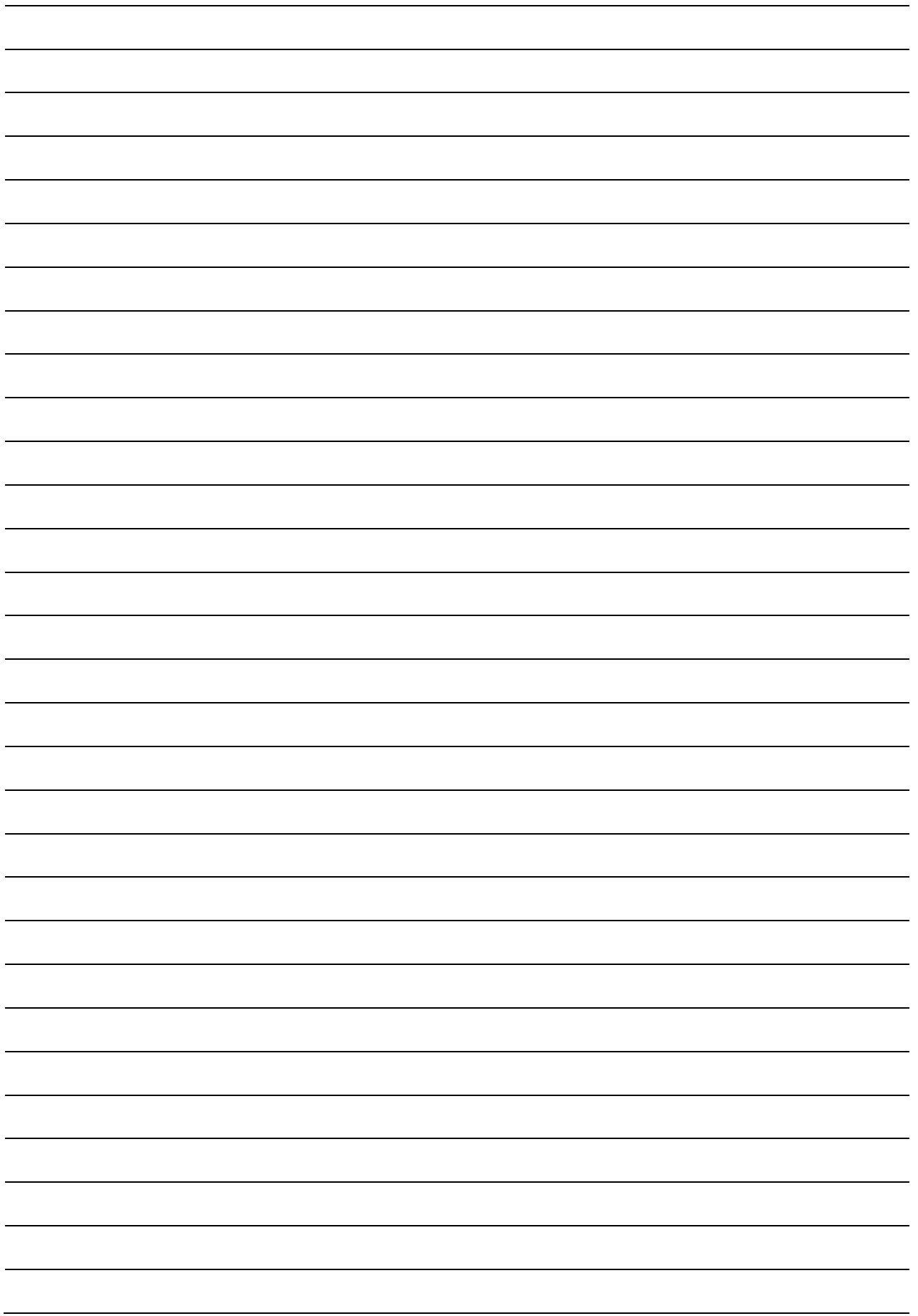
"...The most parsimonious explanation for the phenomena associated with DID (Dissociative Identity Disorder) is that they develop in patients who are suggestible, fantasy-prone and willing to play a role, and who are treated by therapists who are convinced about the reality and ubiquity of this diagnosis."

-Paris J (2019). Dissociative Identity Disorder: validity and use in the criminal justice setting. BJPsych Advances, 25:287-93





Lined writing area consisting of multiple horizontal lines for text entry.



Lined writing area with 30 horizontal lines.

