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Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

You may use a soft pencil for any diagrams, graphs or rough working.

Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer **three** questions, **each from a different section**.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.

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**Option A: Families and Households**

Answer **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2.

- 1 (a) (i) Define the term *extended family*. [3]  
 (ii) Identify and briefly describe **two** characteristics of *modified* extended families. [6]
- (b) Evaluate the view that the extended family is of little importance in modern industrial societies. [16]
- 2 (a) (i) Define the term *patriarchy* in relation to the family. [3]  
 (ii) Identify and briefly describe **two** ways in which patriarchy within the family may be expressed. [6]
- (b) "Patriarchal family structures are no longer to be found in modern industrial societies." Evaluate this claim. [16]

**Option B: Education**

Answer **either** Question 3 **or** Question 4.

- 3 (a) (i) Define the term *cultural deprivation*. [3]  
 (ii) Identify and briefly describe **two** ways in which cultural deprivation impacts on educational achievements. [6]
- (b) Evaluate the view that class is the most significant factor in determining educational achievements in modern industrial societies. [16]
- 4 (a) (i) Define the term *labelling*. [3]  
 (ii) Identify and briefly describe **two** sociological examples that illustrate the process of labelling in relation to education. [6]
- (b) "Ethnicity has relatively little impact on educational attainment in modern industrial societies." Evaluate this claim. [16]

**Option C: Religion**

Answer **either** Question 5 **or** Question 6.

- 5 (a) (i) Define the term *social control*. [3]  
 (ii) Identify and briefly describe **two** ways in which religion can act as a means of social control. [6]
- (b) "Religion is a force for social change in modern industrial societies." Evaluate this view. [16]
- 6 (a) (i) Define the term *world affirming sect*. [3]  
 (ii) Identify and briefly describe **two** reasons why sects can be short lived. [6]
- (b) Evaluate the view that the growth of new religious movements is evidence that religion continues to play a major role in modern industrial societies. [16]

**Option D: Crime and Deviance**

Answer **either** Question 7 **or** Question 8.

- 7 (a) (i) Define the term *self report study*. [3]  
 (ii) Identify and briefly describe **two** advantages in using self report studies to research the level of crime in society. [6]
- (b) Evaluate the view that criminal behaviour is limited to a few powerless groups in society. [16]
- 8 (a) (i) Define the term *sub-culture*. [3]  
 (ii) Identify and briefly describe **two** differences between biological and sociological theories of deviance. [6]
- (b) Evaluate the interactionist view that deviance is subject to negotiation. [16]

**Option E: Work and Leisure**

Answer **either** Question 9 **or** Question 10.

- 9 (a) (i) Define the term *unofficial strike*. [3]  
 (ii) Identify and briefly describe **two** reasons why strikes occur. [6]  
 (b) Evaluate the view that organisations are inevitably undemocratic. [16]
- 10 (a) (i) Define the term *professionalisation* in relation to work. [3]  
 (ii) Identify and briefly describe **two** consequences of the professionalisation of the workforce. [6]  
 (b) Evaluate the view that alienation remains a feature of work in modern industrial societies. [16]

**Option F: Mass Media**

Answer **either** Question 11 **or** Question 12.

- 11 (a) (i) Define the term *censorship*. [3]  
 (ii) Identify and briefly describe **two** examples of the way in which the mass media influences the political process. [6]  
 (b) Evaluate the view that agenda setting in politics is increasingly shaped by the mass media in modern industrial societies. [16]
- 12 (a) (i) Define the term *content analysis*. [3]  
 (ii) Identify and briefly describe **two** difficulties in measuring the influence of the mass media. [6]  
 (b) Evaluate the usefulness of the hypodermic syringe model to our understanding of the role of the mass media. [16]

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