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Paper 2 **May/June 2013**

1 hour 45 minutes

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

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Section A: The Family

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1 Many sociologists agree that living in a family tends to benefit men more than women. This may be particularly true of some ethnic minority families.

(a) What is meant by the term *ethnic minority families*?

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(b) Describe **two** reasons why some people live in extended families.

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(c) Explain why men may benefit more than women from living in a family.

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(d) To what extent is ethnicity the main factor influencing the structure of the family?

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2 Many sociologists believe that one of the functions of the family is to socialise children into a value consensus. However, families are not always successful in carrying out this role.

(a) What is meant by the term *value consensus*?

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(b) Describe **two** reasons why some families may fail to socialise their children successfully.

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(c) Explain how sanctions may be used to reinforce the socialisation process within the family.

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(d) To what extent may the family be dysfunctional for its members?

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Section B: Education

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3 There are different kinds of schools in modern industrial societies. Some schools are based on the principle of selective education.

(a) What is meant by the term *selective education*?

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(b) Describe **two** possible benefits for pupils attending a selective school.

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(c) Explain the actions that schools can take to provide equal access to educational opportunities.

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(d) To what extent may selective education create divisions in society?

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4 Schools are part of the formal education process through which pupils receive a preparation for work. There is a debate about how far schools promote social mobility.

(a) What is meant by the term *formal education*?

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(b) Describe **two** ways in which schools may promote upward social mobility.

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(c) Explain how schooling may be a preparation for work.

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(d) To what extent does formal education promote social mobility?

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Section C: Crime, Deviance and Social Control

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5 The peer group can be a major influence on the deviant careers of juvenile delinquents.

(a) What is meant by the term *deviant careers*?

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(b) Describe **two** reasons why a person may feel pressured to accept the norms of a peer group.

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(c) Explain why young people rather than other age groups are more likely to appear in crime statistics.

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(d) To what extent is juvenile delinquency a result of poor socialisation?

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6 Most sociologists agree that deviance is difficult to define.

(a) What is meant by the term *deviance*?

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(b) Describe **two** examples of deviant behaviour which are not illegal.

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(c) Explain how definitions of deviance may vary between societies and across time.

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(d) To what extent can deviant behaviour be explained in terms of the conflict approaches?

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Section D: Media

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7 Women and men often appear in the media in a limited number of stereotypical roles.

(a) What is meant by the term *stereotypical roles*?

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(b) Describe **two** examples of stereotypical gender roles.

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(c) Explain why the media construct stereotypical images of women and men.

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(d) To what extent are people influenced by the stereotypical images presented in the media?

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8 The media play a major role in the communication of popular culture. The new media have become an important part of this process.

(a) What is meant by the term *popular culture*?

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(b) Describe **two** differences between popular culture and high culture.

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(c) Explain some of the ways in which the new media have increased the spread of popular culture.

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(d) How far is the content of popular culture shaped by the media?

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