

GCE A LEVEL

A200U30-1



WEDNESDAY, 14 JUNE 2023 – AFTERNOON

SOCIOLOGY – A level component 3 Power and Stratification

2 hours 30 minutes

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

A WJEC pink 16-page answer booklet.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Do not use gel pen or correction fluid.

Answer Section A.

Answer one option from Section B.

Write your answers in the separate answer booklet provided, following the instructions on the front of the answer booklet.

Use both sides of the paper. Write only within the white areas of the booklet.

Write the question number in the two boxes in the left-hand margin at the start of each answer,

for example 2 1

Leave at least two line spaces between each answer.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark available is 120.

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question. You are advised to divide your time accordingly. 2

Answer Section A and **one** option from Section B.

Section A

Compulsory question



Identify evidence of social inequalities in two areas of social life in the contemporary UK. Illustrate your answer with reference to supporting evidence for each area identified. [20]

[40]

[20]

Either,



Or,



Discuss the view that ethnicity has an impact on social inequality. [40]

Section B

Evaluate feminist explanations of gender inequalities in the contemporary UK.

Answer one of the following options.

Option 1 Crime and Deviance

Compulsory question

2 1 Explain, using sociological evidence, why some sociologists argue women are treated differently to men by the criminal justice system.	[20]			
Either,				
2 2 Evaluate left realist explanations of crime and deviance.	[40]			
Or,				
2 3 Discuss the view that crime and deviance are linked to subcultures.	[40]			
Option 2 Health and Disability				
Compulsory question				
3 1 Explain, using sociological evidence, why some sociologists argue society disadvantages these with impairments	[20]			

Either,



Evaluate the biomedical model in relation to health and illness. [40]

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Or,

Discuss the view that gender influences health and illness in the contemporary UK. [40]

disadvantages those with impairments.

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Option 3 Power and Politics

Compulsory question

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4 1	Explain, using sociological evidence, why some sociologists argue voting patterns are linked to age.	[20]
Either,		
4 2	Evaluate elite theories of power.	[40]
Or,		
4 3	Discuss the role of pressure groups in the contemporary UK.	[40]

Option 4 World Sociology

Compulsory question



Explain, using sociological evidence, why some sociologists argue foreign aid does not reduce poverty in less economically developed countries (LEDCs). [20]
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Either,



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Discuss the influence of globalisation in the contemporary world.	[40]

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END OF PAPER

Evaluate dependency theories of development.