



GCE A LEVEL

A200U30-1



**SOCIOLOGY – A level component 3
Power and Stratification**

FRIDAY, 15 JUNE 2018 – AFTERNOON

2 hours 30 minutes

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

A WJEC pink 16-page answer booklet.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Section A.

Answer **one** question from Section B.

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Write your answers in the separate answer booklet provided.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Section A carries 60 marks.

Section B carries 60 marks.

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.

Answer Section A and one option from Section B.

Section A

Compulsory question

1. (a) Identify evidence of inequality in **two** areas of social life in the contemporary UK. Illustrate your answer with reference to supporting evidence for each area identified. [20]

Either,

- (b) Evaluate feminist explanations of social inequality. [40]

Or,

- (c) Assess the view that social class is the main cause of inequality in the contemporary UK. [40]

Section B

Answer one of the following options.

Option 1 Crime and Deviance

Compulsory question

2. (a) Delinquent subcultures are usually working class. Explain sociological evidence that supports this view. [20]

Either,

- (b) Evaluate Marxist explanations of crime and deviance. [40]

Or,

- (c) Assess labelling theory as an explanation of crime and deviance. [40]

Option 2 Health and Disability

Compulsory question

3. (a) Cultural factors have a major influence on health and illness. Explain sociological evidence that supports this view. [20]

Either,

- (b) Evaluate the social model of disability. [40]

Or,

- (c) Assess the view that gender is a major influence on health and illness. [40]

Option 3 Power and Politics**Compulsory question**

4. (a) Voting is no longer based on social class. Explain sociological evidence that supports this view. [20]

Either,

- (b) Evaluate postmodern explanations of power and politics. [40]

Or,

- (c) Assess the view that power in society is held by elites. [40]

Option 4 World Sociology**Compulsory question**

5. (a) Women in developing countries are said to lack status and power. Explain sociological evidence that supports this view. [20]

Either,

- (b) Evaluate the contribution of Marxist explanations of development. [40]

Or,

- (c) Assess sociological explanations of the impact of urbanisation on developing countries. [40]

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