

# **GCE MARKING SCHEME**

SOCIOLOGY AS/Advanced

**SUMMER 2014** 

#### INTRODUCTION

The marking schemes which follow were those used by WJEC for the Summer 2014 examination in GCE SOCIOLOGY. They were finalised after detailed discussion at examiners' conferences by all the examiners involved in the assessment. The conferences were held shortly after the papers were taken so that reference could be made to the full range of candidates' responses, with photocopied scripts forming the basis of discussion. The aim of the conferences was to ensure that the marking schemes were interpreted and applied in the same way by all examiners.

It is hoped that this information will be of assistance to centres but it is recognised at the same time that, without the benefit of participation in the examiners' conferences, teachers may have different views on certain matters of detail or interpretation.

WJEC regrets that it cannot enter into any discussion or correspondence about these marking schemes.

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#### Q.1 Read the item below and answer the following questions.

Religion is an agent of secondary socialisation. Religious ceremonies influence identity and can unite a society by socialising people into the shared norms and values of that society. A religious leader can act as a **role model** and give guidance about the type of behaviour that is acceptable or unacceptable. For example, divorce is viewed as unacceptable by the Roman Catholic Church. An example of expected behaviour for Muslims is fasting during Ramadan.

# (a) With reference to the item and your own knowledge, explain the meaning of the term role model. [5]

Answers should be fully rewarded for accuracy and relevance. Candidates **may** refer to the following:

- The meaning of role model
- The significant other
- Gender and role models

Examples of the above.

Marks	AO1
3	There will be relevant points made which identify the meaning of the term, displaying a <b>detailed</b> and clear understanding of the term including reference to norms and values.
2	There will be <b>some</b> understanding of the term which is illustrated through the use of examples.
1	There will be <b>basic</b> understanding of the term with misunderstanding evident.
0	No relevant points will be made.

Marks	AO2
2	Detailed understanding is displayed through clear explanation. Reference will be made to the item.
1	There will be some analysis.
0	No explanations offered.

# Q.1 (b) Using material from the item and your own knowledge describe and explain how any two agents of socialisation influence norms and values. [10]

Answers should focus on the process of socialisation:

Expect the accurate use of terms such as;

- Sanctions positive and negative with examples
- Role models and imitation

Examples should be linked to norms and values.

Marks	AO1 (5)	AO2 (5)
4 - 5	There are a number of specific, correct and relevant points made.  Correct sociological terminology will be used in such a way as to display explicit knowledge and understanding. The quality of written communication will be good.  Additional sociological knowledge will be present.	Appropriate examples and explanations of the processes or agencies described will be apparent.  Analysis will be explicit.  Reference will be made to item.
2 - 3	There will be some relevant points made.  Some sociological language may be present.  There may be some errors of punctuation, spelling and grammar.	Some appropriate examples and explanations of the processes or agencies described will be apparent.  Analysis will be implicit.  There may be reference to the item or additional sociological knowledge.
1	There is little evidence of sociological content.  Answers will be common sense in approach.	Limited use of appropriate examples and explanations of the processes or agencies described will be apparent.

#### **Families and Culture**

### Q.2 (a) Outline and explain how the changing role of women has influenced families. [15]

Answers may refer to:

- Women in the work force dual earner families Cheal, influence on children – more child care.
- Increasing independence singlehood scase, one parent families
- Fewer children
- Influence on the role of males new man.

Expect evidence in terms of patterns / trends and studies.
The emphasis here is on demonstrating knowledge and understanding.

AO1 (8)	AO2 (7)
7 - 8 Candidates will be able to make accurate, appropriate and detailed reference to a range of writers, research and theory. There will be a detailed level of knowledge and understanding and this will be detailed and wide ranging. Candidates will be able to refer to more than one area of sociology where appropriate. Answers will be expressed in appropriate sociological language. Candidates will be able to make accurate and appropriate use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications, showing knowledge and understanding of its meaning. The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	6 - 7 Candidates will relate their knowledge directly to the question under consideration and this link will be detailed and explicit. References to writers, research and/or theory will be explained in detail and contextualised. Answers will be formally constructed with a clear and logical argument. Evaluation and/or analysis will be detailed and explicit throughout the answers. The candidate may challenge the terms of the question.
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0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

### Q.2 (b) Assess the view that the extended family is no longer important in the contemporary UK.

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- Traditional extended families
- Decline of extended families privatised families, social mobility
- The growth of diverse family forms
- The relevance of the extended family today Foster, Devine, Finch and Mason

[30]

- Increasing role of grandparents childcare
- Care of the elderly
- Asian families
- Beanpole families
- Boomerang children
- Modified extended families Litwak
- March of progress

There will be clear assessment / debate. The best answers will discuss the features of the extended family, consider how / if the extended family has been modified and link this to social changes.

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#### Youth cultures

# Q.3 (a) Outline and explain why some young people choose to join youth subcultures. [15]

Answers may refer to:

- Rite of passage
- Identity Mac an Ghaill and masculinity
- Resistance
- Influence of the media / consumerism

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# Q.3 (b) Assess the functionalist view that youth culture is a period of transition between childhood and adulthood. [30]

Answers may refer to some of the following:

- Functionalist theories of youth culture Parsons, Eisenstadt
- Roszak 'generation gap'
- Marxism and the significance of class in youth sub-cultures resistance, Hall and Jefferson
- The significance of ethnicity and gender Rasta culture, McRobbie
- Postmodern theories supermarket of style

The best answers will assess the significance of youth culture and the distinction between youth culture and youth sub-cultures. They may also question if youth culture is significant to all young people and how / why youth sub-cultures develop.

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#### **Community and culture**

# Q.4 (a) Outline and explain the involvement of women in community life in the contemporary UK. [15]

Answers may refer to:

- Support networks school gate society
- Pressure groups mums net
- Reference could be made to specific groups of women WI, Merched y Wawr in Wales
- Increasing political representation

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0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

#### Q.4 (b) Assess the view that globalisation has changed community life. [30]

Answers may refer to some of the following:

- Internet and virtual communities
- Hybrid identities
- Postmodernism and choice
- Locally based institutions Etzioni
- Traditional community values and traditions
- Local campaigns NIMBY
- Other factors that may have changed communities economic changes
- Beynon

The best answers may discuss the possible impact of globalisation on community life and refer to aspects of community life that seem to have remained unaffected by globalisation.

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#### Q.1 Look at the item below and answer the following questions.

Findings from a **longitudinal study** of 40,000 UK household called **Understanding Society** were first published in 2012. The study began in 2009 and will continue over a number of years. Over 100,000 people are being studied to look at how a changing society is affecting the choice that people make about their lives.

A variety of methods is being used for data collection on health and well being. It has become apparent that the way in which information is gathered can affect the results produced.

#### Adapted from Understanding Society 2012

# (a) Using material from the item and elsewhere, fully explain the meaning of the term longitudinal study. [10]

Answers should be fully rewarded for accuracy and succinct coverage of any relevant points. There should be contextualisation of the term with reference to studies.

Candidates may refer to some but not necessarily all of the following:

- A clear attempt to define the term and to offer examples (perhaps drawn from television studies such as Seven Up)
- Snapshot in time vs change and development
- · Drop-out rates
- Shorter term longitudinal studies vs longer term studies
- Census
- Qualitative studies that follow people over time
- Quantitative studies such as Census which track populations to discover patterns and trends
- Issues of reliability and validity
- And any other relevant points

Marks	AO1
	At least two strengths are identified and fully explained with reference to relevant examples.
	Accurate sociological terminology will be used in such a way as to display explicit and detailed knowledge and understanding.
5 - 6	Reference will be made to the item and to other relevant studies.
	Knowledge may be illustrated with reference to the item.
	The quality of written communication will be good.
3 - 4	Two strengths are identified and explained with some knowledge and understanding evident.
	Some sociological language may be present.
	There will be reference to the item or additional sociological knowledge.
	There may be some errors of punctuation, spelling and grammar.
1 - 2	There is basic evidence of sociological knowledge and understanding.
	Answers will be common sense in approach.
0	No relevant knowledge or understanding is present.

Marks	AO2
3 - 4	Appropriate examples and explanations of the two strengths identified will be apparent.
	Analysis (explanations) will be explicit.
1 - 2	Some appropriate examples and explanations of the strengths identified will be apparent but this may be unbalanced.
	Analysis will be implicit.
0	No analysis present.

### Q.1 (b) With reference to the item and sociological studies, explain why many researchers use more than one method. [20]

Answers should be fully rewarded for accuracy and succinct coverage of any relevant points. Note that appropriate development and use of exemplary material can be taken as evidence of analysis.

There should be contextualisation of the term with reference to studies and to the item as specified in the question.

Candidates may refer to some but not necessarily all of the following:

- Defining the term briefly, perhaps with an example
- Positivism and interpretivism
- Different views of same phenomena
- Personal and private spheres
- Theoretical view that plural methods offer checks and balances between the strengths and weaknesses of each approach
- Attempting to provide validity and reliability
- Triangulation of research methods
- Qualitative vs quantitative

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited. Direct reference to relevant studies is necessary for answers to gain access to the top mark band.

AO1	AO2
Candidates will be able to make accurate, appropriate and detailed reference to a range of writers, research and theory.  There will be a very good level of knowledge and understanding and this will be detailed and wide ranging.  Candidates will be able to refer to evidence drawn from more than one area of sociology where appropriate.  Answers will be expressed in appropriate sociological language.  Candidates will be able to make accurate and appropriate use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications, showing knowledge and understanding of its meaning.  The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	7 - 8 Candidates will relate their knowledge directly to the question under consideration and this link will be detailed and explicit. References to writers, research and/or theory will be explained in detail and contextualised. Answers will be formally constructed with a clear and logical argument. Evaluation and/or analysis will be detailed and explicit throughout the answers. The candidate may challenge the terms of the question.
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#### **Education**

# Q.2 (a) Outline and explain what is meant by the hidden curriculum in education. [20]

The focus of the answer should be on various interpretations of how the hidden curriculum operates and what it is. Answers should be fully rewarded for accuracy and succinct coverage of any relevant points. Credit should be given to an understanding of social control and social processes within schools that may affect the attainment levels of different social groups.

Candidates will be credited with:

- A clear attempt to define the term 'hidden curriculum'
- Reference to feminism and Marxism
- Social control
- Recent political, social or public debate with regard to the role of education
- Reference to relevant studies or sociological writing
- Applied use of examples

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited

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0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

#### Q.2 (b) Outline and assess the view that education in the UK is meritocratic.[40]

The focus of the answer should be on the nature and meaning of meritocracy and whether this holds true of modern Britain. There should be recognition that the position stated is one proposed by functionalists and adopted by governments. The view should also be challenged sociologically. Candidates should be aware of patterns of social inequality even if they choose to conclude that Britain is a meritocracy. Answers should be fully rewarded for accuracy and succinct coverage of any relevant points.

Candidates may refer to some but not necessarily all of the following:

- An explanation of meritocracy and of functional views of education as a ladder of opportunity
- Attainment patterns for genders, class and ethnicity. There may be understanding of how these patterns have changed and of continuing inequality
- Theoretical positions explaining differences in attainment
- Critical awareness of other explanations of differential achievement such as Marxism
- Awareness of other influences on attainment (e.g. class, ethnicity etc)
- Reference to recent political, social or public debate with reference to educational inequality – perhaps the development of free schools or reference to elite groups in government
- Reference to relevant studies of sociological writing
- Applied use of examples

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited

AO1 (20)	AO2 (20)
Candidates will be able to make accurate, appropriate and detailed reference to a range of writers, research and theory.  There will be a very good level of knowledge and understanding and this will be detailed and wide ranging.  Candidates will be able to refer to more than one area of sociology where appropriate.  Answers will be expressed in appropriate sociological language.  Candidates will be able to make accurate and appropriate use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications, showing knowledge and understanding of its meaning.  The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	Candidates will relate their knowledge directly to the question under consideration and this link will be detailed and explicit.  References to writers, research and/or theory will be explained in detail and contextualised.  Answers will be formally constructed with a clear and logical argument.  Evaluation and/or analysis will be detailed and explicit throughout the answers.  The candidate may challenge the terms of the question.
11 - 16 Candidates will be able to make some accurate, appropriate reference to writers, research or theory. There will be some knowledge and understanding and this will be detailed or wide ranging. Candidates may be able to refer to more than one area of sociology where appropriate. Answers will make some use of appropriate sociological language. Candidates may be able to make some use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications, showing some knowledge and understanding of its meaning. The quality of written communication is, for the most part good though there may be some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	11 - 16 Candidates will relate their knowledge to the question under consideration but the link is likely to be more implicit than in band 4. References to writers, research or theory will have some explanation. Answers will have some clarity and logical argument. Evaluation or analysis is likely to be implicit and is unlikely to be present throughout the answer.
6 - 10 Candidates will be able to make limited reference to writers, research or theory. There will be basic knowledge and understanding but this will lack detail and will not be wide ranging. Candidates will make limited references to other areas of sociology. There will be limited and at times inaccurate use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications. The quality of written communication will be limited with frequent errors of punctuation, spelling and grammar.	6 - 10 Candidates will make limited links between their knowledge and the question. There will be limited explanation of any writers, research or theory referred to. Answers will have limited clarity or logical argument. Any evaluation or analysis will be implicit and very limited.
1 - 5 Candidates may rely on anecdotal references with few if any references to writers, research or theory. There will be limited knowledge or understanding. There will be limited use of sociological language. The quality of written communication will be poor with numerous errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	1 - 5 Candidates will make no links between their knowledge and the question. There will be no explanation of any writers, research or theory. There will be no evaluation.
0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

#### Religion

### Q.3 (a) Outline and explain the meaning of the term New Age Movements (NAMs). [20]

The focus of the answer should be on the meaning and practice of New Age Movements in religious terms. If NRMs are mentioned, then they should be clearly distinguished from NAMs. Answers should be fully rewarded for accuracy and succinct coverage of any relevant points. Credit should be given to an understanding of secularisation and of the response of the religious to this process, relevant theory and examples.

#### Candidates will be credited with:

- Spiritual as opposed to religious movement
- Belief in the totality of mind and body
- Link to post modernism and pick and mix belief
- Spiritual shopping
- Supermarket of beliefs
- Individualistic concern with self-knowledge rather than association with other believers
- Awareness of the difference between NAM and NRM
- Commercial aspects of NAMs
- · Cultural changes impact on religious belief
- Changes to the status and power of the established Churches
- Reference to relevant studies or sociological writing
- Applied use of examples

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited

AO1 (12)	AO2 (8)
Candidates will be able to make accurate, appropriate and detailed reference to a range of writers, research and theory.  There will be a very good level of knowledge and understanding and this will be detailed and wide ranging.  Candidates will be able to refer to more than one area of sociology where appropriate.  Answers will be expressed in appropriate sociological language.  Candidates will be able to make accurate and appropriate use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications, showing knowledge and understanding of its meaning.  The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	7 - 8 Candidates will relate their knowledge directly to the question under consideration and this link will be detailed and explicit. References to writers, research and/or theory will be explained in detail and contextualised. Answers will be formally constructed with a clear and logical argument. Evaluation and/or analysis will be detailed and explicit throughout the answers. The candidate may challenge the terms of the question.
6 - 9 Candidates will be able to make some accurate, appropriate reference to writers, research or theory. There will be some knowledge and understanding and this will be detailed or wide ranging. Candidates may be able to refer to more than one area of sociology where appropriate. Answers will make some use of appropriate sociological language. Candidates may be able to make some use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications, showing some knowledge and understanding of its meaning. The quality of written communication is, for the most part good though there may be some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	5 - 6 Candidates will relate their knowledge to the question under consideration but the link is likely to be more implicit than in band 4. References to writers, research or theory will have some explanation. Answers will have some clarity and logical argument. Evaluation or analysis is likely to be implicit and is unlikely to be present throughout the answer.
4 - 5 Candidates will be able to make limited reference to writers, research or theory. There will be basic knowledge and understanding but this will lack detail and will not be wide ranging. Candidates will make limited references to other areas of sociology. There will be limited and at times inaccurate use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications. The quality of written communication will be limited with frequent errors of punctuation, spelling and grammar.	3 - 4 Candidates will make limited links between their knowledge and the question. There will be limited explanation of any writers, research or theory referred to. Answers will have limited clarity or logical argument. Any evaluation or analysis will be implicit and very limited.
1 - 3 Candidates may rely on anecdotal references with few if any references to writers, research or theory. There will be limited knowledge or understanding. There will be limited use of sociological language. The quality of written communication will be poor with numerous errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	1 – 2 Candidates will make no links between their knowledge and the question. There will be no explanation of any writers, research or theory. There will be no evaluation.
0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

### Q.3 (b) Outline and assess the view that religion is an agent of social control. [40]

The focus of the answer should be on **social control**. There should be recognition that the position stated is one adopted by functionalists who view religion as a form of value setting and social glue, Marxists who see religion as a source of oppression and Weberians who challenge Marxists and functionalists. Answers should be fully rewarded for accuracy and succinct coverage of any relevant points.

Candidates may refer to some but not necessarily all of the following:

- Fundamentalism
- Theoretical debates linked to functionalism and Marxism
- The mechanisms through which religion may act as a force of control
- Social control and gender debates
- Alternative views identifying religion as an agent of change
- Decline of religion and secularisation
- Reference to recent political, social or public debate
- Reference to relevant studies or sociological writing
- Applied use of examples

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited

AO1 (20)	AO2 (20)
17 - 20 Candidates will be able to make accurate, appropriate and detailed reference to a range of writers, research and theory. There will be a very good level of knowledge and understanding and this will be detailed and wide ranging. Candidates will be able to refer to more than one area of sociology where appropriate. Answers will be expressed in appropriate sociological language. Candidates will be able to make accurate and appropriate use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications, showing knowledge and understanding of its meaning. The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	17 - 20 Candidates will relate their knowledge directly to the question under consideration and this link will be detailed and explicit. References to writers, research and/or theory will be explained in detail and contextualised. Answers will be formally constructed with a clear and logical argument. Evaluation and/or analysis will be detailed and explicit throughout the answers. The candidate may challenge the terms of the question.
11 - 16 Candidates will be able to make some accurate, appropriate reference to writers, research or theory. There will be some knowledge and understanding and this will be detailed or wide ranging. Candidates may be able to refer to more than one area of sociology where appropriate. Answers will make some use of appropriate sociological language. Candidates may be able to make some use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications, showing some knowledge and understanding of its meaning. The quality of written communication is, for the most part good though there may be some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	11 - 16 Candidates will relate their knowledge to the question under consideration but the link is likely to be more implicit than in band 4. References to writers, research or theory will have some explanation. Answers will have some clarity and logical argument. Evaluation or analysis is likely to be implicit and is unlikely to be present throughout the answer.
6 - 10 Candidates will be able to make limited reference to writers, research or theory. There will be basic knowledge and understanding but this will lack detail and will not be wide ranging. Candidates will make limited references to other areas of sociology. There will be limited and at times inaccurate use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications. The quality of written communication will be limited with frequent errors of punctuation, spelling and grammar.	6 - 10 Candidates will make limited links between their knowledge and the question. There will be limited explanation of any writers, research or theory referred to. Answers will have limited clarity or logical argument. Any evaluation or analysis will be implicit and very limited.
1 - 5 Candidates may rely on anecdotal references with few if any references to writers, research or theory. There will be limited knowledge or understanding. There will be limited use of sociological language. The quality of written communication will be poor with numerous errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	1 - 5 Candidates will make no links between their knowledge and the question. There will be no explanation of any writers, research or theory. There will be no evaluation.
0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

#### **Mass Media**

#### Q.4 (a) Outline and explain the concept of news values.

[20]

The focus of the answer should be on listing items which make events newsworthy, with reference to writers and studies or recent news stories if possible. Answers should be fully rewarded for accuracy and succinct coverage of any relevant points. Credit should be given to an understanding of the role of the media professionals, the needs of visual media, the need for profit.

Candidates will be credited with:

- Recent cases
- Mention of different media forms
- Reference to the role of media professionals
- Response to audience debates
- Celebrity culture
- Agenda setting
- Gatekeeping
- Ownership and proprietorship
- Different measures of newsworthiness
- Silly season stories
- Reference to relevant studies or sociological writing
- Applied use of examples

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited

AO1 (12)	AO2 (8)
Candidates will be able to make accurate, appropriate and detailed reference to a range of writers, research and theory.  There will be a very good level of knowledge and understanding and this will be detailed and wide ranging.  Candidates will be able to refer to more than one area of sociology where appropriate.  Answers will be expressed in appropriate sociological language.  Candidates will be able to make accurate and appropriate use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications, showing knowledge and understanding of its meaning.  The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	7 - 8 Candidates will relate their knowledge directly to the question under consideration and this link will be detailed and explicit. References to writers, research and/or theory will be explained in detail and contextualised. Answers will be formally constructed with a clear and logical argument. Evaluation and/or analysis will be detailed and explicit throughout the answers. The candidate may challenge the terms of the question.
6 - 9 Candidates will be able to make some accurate, appropriate reference to writers, research or theory. There will be some knowledge and understanding and this will be detailed or wide ranging. Candidates may be able to refer to more than one area of sociology where appropriate. Answers will make some use of appropriate sociological language. Candidates may be able to make some use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications, showing some knowledge and understanding of its meaning. The quality of written communication is, for the most part good though there may be some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	5 - 6 Candidates will relate their knowledge to the question under consideration but the link is likely to be more implicit than in band 4. References to writers, research or theory will have some explanation. Answers will have some clarity and logical argument. Evaluation or analysis is likely to be implicit and is unlikely to be present throughout the answer.
4 - 5 Candidates will be able to make limited reference to writers, research or theory. There will be basic knowledge and understanding but this will lack detail and will not be wide ranging. Candidates will make limited references to other areas of sociology. There will be limited and at times inaccurate use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications. The quality of written communication will be limited with frequent errors of punctuation, spelling and grammar.	3 - 4 Candidates will make limited links between their knowledge and the question. There will be limited explanation of any writers, research or theory referred to. Answers will have limited clarity or logical argument. Any evaluation or analysis will be implicit and very limited.
1 - 3 Candidates may rely on anecdotal references with few if any references to writers, research or theory. There will be limited knowledge or understanding. There will be limited use of sociological language. The quality of written communication will be poor with numerous errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	1 – 2 Candidates will make no links between their knowledge and the question. There will be no explanation of any writers, research or theory. There will be no evaluation.
0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

# Q.4 (b) Outline and assess the view that media representation of social groups is based on stereotypes. [40]

The focus of this answer should be on the nature of ownership in the media with reference to established and emerging technologies. There should be some understanding of the political debates associated with media control and the ability to run a democracy.

Candidates should utilise contemporary studies to support line of debate.

- Hypodermic syringe models of media use
- Alternative theories
- Cultural responses
- Hegemony
- Ideology
- Agenda setting
- Ownership and corporations
- Globalisation of consumption
- Targeted audiences
- Reference to relevant studies or sociological writing
- Applied use of examples

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited

AO1 (20)	AO2 (20)
Candidates will be able to make accurate, appropriate and detailed reference to a range of writers, research and theory.  There will be a very good level of knowledge and understanding and this will be detailed and wide ranging. Candidates will be able to refer to more than one area of sociology where appropriate.  Answers will be expressed in appropriate sociological language.  Candidates will be able to make accurate and appropriate use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications, showing knowledge and understanding of its meaning.  The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	Candidates will relate their knowledge directly to the question under consideration and this link will be detailed and explicit.  References to writers, research and/or theory will be explained in detail and contextualised.  Answers will be formally constructed with a clear and logical argument.  Evaluation and/or analysis will be detailed and explicit throughout the answers.  The candidate may challenge the terms of the question.
11 - 16 Candidates will be able to make some accurate, appropriate reference to writers, research or theory. There will be some knowledge and understanding and this will be detailed or wide ranging. Candidates may be able to refer to more than one area of sociology where appropriate. Answers will make some use of appropriate sociological language. Candidates may be able to make some use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications, showing some knowledge and understanding of its meaning. The quality of written communication is, for the most part good though there may be some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	11 - 16 Candidates will relate their knowledge to the question under consideration but the link is likely to be more implicit than in band 4. References to writers, research or theory will have some explanation. Answers will have some clarity and logical argument. Evaluation or analysis is likely to be implicit and is unlikely to be present throughout the answer.
6 - 10 Candidates will be able to make limited reference to writers, research or theory. There will be basic knowledge and understanding but this will lack detail and will not be wide ranging. Candidates will make limited references to other areas of sociology. There will be limited and at times inaccurate use of the sociological terminology indicated in the specifications. The quality of written communication will be limited with frequent errors of punctuation, spelling and grammar.	6 - 10 Candidates will make limited links between their knowledge and the question. There will be limited explanation of any writers, research or theory referred to. Answers will have limited clarity or logical argument. Any evaluation or analysis will be implicit and very limited.
1 - 5 Candidates may rely on anecdotal references with few if any references to writers, research or theory. There will be limited knowledge or understanding. There will be limited use of sociological language. The quality of written communication will be poor with numerous errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	1 - 5 Candidates will make no links between their knowledge and the question. There will be no explanation of any writers, research or theory. There will be no evaluation.
0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

#### **Option 1: Understanding Crime**

#### **Compulsory question:**

#### Q.1 Outline and explain how the media can create moral panics.

[15]

The focus of the answer should be on how the media can create moral panics. Answers should be fully rewarded for accuracy and succinct coverage of relevant points. Credit should be given to an understanding of relevant sociologists, theories and examples.

Candidates may refer to some but not necessarily all of the following:

- A clear definition of moral panics
- Understanding of how the media can create moral panics
- Reference to sociologists such as Cohen and Hall
- · Reference to relevant studies or sociological writing
- Applied use of examples

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited

Responses other than those listed above may be valid and credit worthy.

Marks	AO1
12-15	There will be detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding of how the media can create moral panics. This will be demonstrated in a detailed description. Answers in this band will have depth and breadth.
8-11	There will be some knowledge and understanding of how the media can create moral panics. Answers in this band will have depth or breadth.
4-7	There will be basic knowledge and understanding of how the media can create moral panics. Answers may lack depth and breadth.
1-3	Limited accurate knowledge or understanding will be present and the answer is likely to be vague and/or disorganised.
0	No relevant knowledge and understanding.

#### **EITHER:**

#### Q.2 Evaluate feminist explanations of crime and deviance.

[45]

Answers should make reference to more than one feminist explanation of crime and deviance. Descriptive accounts of feminist explanations and of alternative explanations will not be highly rewarded. High order skills of analysis and evaluation are weighted in this assessment so that high level success can only be achieved through the demonstration of these skills. Well supported lines of discussion will be rewarded.

Candidates may refer to some but not necessarily all of the following:

- A range of feminist explanations of crime and deviance
- Gender-role socialisation
- Adler
- Social control and the opportunity to commit crime and be deviant
- Postmodern feminists' explanations such as those of Smart
- Croall
- Chivalry thesis
- · Heidensohn and malestream sociology
- · Radical feminist explanations including the work of Stanko
- Domestic violence
- Women as victims of crime
- Links to ethnicity and social class including the work of Carlen
- Reference to relevant studies or sociological writing
- Applied use of examples

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited

Responses other than those listed above may be valid and credit worthy.

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OR:

#### Q.3 Discuss realist solutions to the control of crime.

[45]

The focus of the answer should be on realist solutions to the control of crime. Answers should make reference to right and left realism. The focus of the discussion will be on solutions to the control of crime. Descriptive accounts of realist solutions to the control of crime and of alternative view will not be highly rewarded. High order skills of analysis and evaluation are weighted in this assessment so that high level success can only be achieved through the demonstration of these skills. Well supported lines of discussion will be rewarded.

Candidates may refer to some but not necessarily all of the following:

- Right realism
- Underclass theory Murray
- Control theories Hirschi
- Situational crime prevention
- Environmental crime prevention including Wilson and the broken window theory
- Zero tolerance
- Left realism Lea and Young
- The square of crime
- Policing and control
- Structural causes of crime
- Snider and the focus on street crime to the exclusion of the crimes of the ruling classes
- Reference to relevant studies or sociological writing
- Applied use of examples

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited

Responses other than those listed above may be valid and credit worthy.

AO1 (13)	AO2 (32)
11 - 13 Candidates will be able to make specific, explicit and detailed reference to a range of writers, research and theory. Much of this material will have explicit sociological content. Answers will be expressed in appropriate sociological language showing knowledge and understanding. The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	Candidates will relate answers directly to the question under consideration and this link will be explicit.  Essays will be formally constructed with a clear and logical argument.  Evaluation and analysis will be explicit throughout the answers.  Candidates will be able to make regular and explicit use of the correct analytical and/or evaluative language showing knowledge and understanding of its meaning.  Candidates will be able to make explicit reference to the question under consideration.  The candidate may challenge the terms of the question.
8 - 10 There will be some knowledge of writers and theory which will be explicit and accurate. Answers will use some sociological language. This will be applied correctly. The quality of written communication is, for the most part good though there may be some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	18 - 24 Candidates will relate some knowledge to the question under consideration but the link is likely to be implicit. Some evaluation and analysis of writers or theory will be present. Evaluation may not be present throughout the answer. Candidates will be able to demonstrate some logical argument and discussion.
5 - 7 Candidates will be able to make basic references to either writers, concepts, research evidence and/or theory. The writers, theories of evidence will be described accurately but will lack depth and breadth. Candidates will be able to use sociological terms correctly for the most part but there may be inaccuracies. The quality of written communication will be limited with frequent errors of punctuation, spelling and grammar.	There will be basic knowledge used and there will be an implicit focus on the question. There will be basic analysis and/or evaluation and only limited reference to any writers or theory. Evaluation will be basic and likely to be implicit or characterised by juxtaposition. Answers are likely to lack cohesion and/or logical argument.
1 - 4 Answers are likely to be limited and anecdotal with few if any references to writers, research or theory. There will be very little accurate knowledge or understanding. There will be very little use of sociological language. The quality of written communication will be poor with numerous errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	1 - 9 There will be very limited analysis or evaluation present. There may be rubric errors. Candidates make limited reference to the terms of the question. Candidates make limited use of analytical language.
0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

#### **Option 2: Understanding Politics**

# **Compulsory question:**

### Q.4 Outline and explain the roles of legislatures.

[15]

The focus of the answer should be on the roles of legislatures. Answers should be fully rewarded for accuracy and succinct coverage of relevant points. Credit should be given to an understanding of the term, relevant theories and examples.

Candidates will be credited with:

- A clear definition of legislature
- · Reference to the roles of legislatures
- Reference to legislatures as part of the state
- Reference to bicameral legislatures such as the British parliament
- Reference to relevant studies or sociological writing
- Applied use of examples

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited

Responses other than those listed above may be valid and credit worthy.

Marks	AO1
12-15	There will be detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding of the roles of legislatures. This will be demonstrated in a detailed description. Answers in this band will have depth and breadth.
8-11	There will be some knowledge and understanding of the roles of legislatures. Answers in this band will have depth or breadth.
4-7	There will be basic knowledge and understanding of the roles of legislatures. Answers may lack depth and breadth.
1-3	Limited accurate knowledge or understanding will be present and the answer is likely to be vague and/or disorganised.
0	No knowledge or understanding.

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#### **EITHER:**

# Q.5 Evaluate the usefulness of elite theory in understanding power in contemporary society.

[45]

The focus of the answer should be on the usefulness of elite theory of power. Answers may make reference to more than one theoretical perspective in the discussion of the usefulness of the elite theory of power. Descriptive accounts of the elite theory or power and of alternative views will not be highly rewarded. High order skills of analysis and evaluation are weighted in this assessment so that high level success can only be achieved through the demonstration of these skills. Well supported lines of discussion will be rewarded.

Candidates may refer to some but not necessarily all of the following:

- · Classical elite theory of power
- Pareto
- Mosca
- Mannheim
- The radical elite theory C Wright Mills
- Marxist view of power
- Miliband
- Poulantzas
- · The elites and the ruling class
- Gramsci including his ideas on hegemony
- Pluralism
- Functionalism
- Weberianism
- Reference to relevant studies or sociological writing
- Applied use of examples

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited

# Q.6 Discuss the view that pressure groups no longer influence the political process in the contemporary UK. [45]

The focus of the answer should be on the view that pressure groups no longer influence the political process in the contemporary UK. Descriptive accounts of pressure groups and their influence on the political process and of alternative views will not be highly rewarded. High order skills of analysis and evaluation are weighted in this assessment so that high level success can only be achieved through the demonstration of these skills. Well supported lines of discussion will be rewarded.

Candidates may refer to some but not necessarily all of the following:

- Types of pressure groups
- Morgan
- Influence of pressure groups on the political process
- Duverger
- Pluralist / neo-pluralist
- Marxists
- NSMs including work of Storr
- · Reference to relevant studies of sociological writing
- Applied use of examples

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited

AO1 (13)	AO2 (32)
Candidates will be able to make specific, explicit and detailed reference to a range of writers, research and theory. Much of this material will have explicit sociological content.  Answers will be expressed in appropriate sociological language showing knowledge and understanding.  The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	25 - 32 Candidates will relate answers directly to the question under consideration and this link will be explicit. Essays will be formally constructed with a clear and logical argument. Evaluation and analysis will be explicit throughout the answers. Candidates will be able to make regular and explicit use of the correct analytical and/or evaluative language showing knowledge and understanding of its meaning. Candidates will be able to make explicit reference to the question under consideration. The candidate may challenge the terms of the question.
8 - 10 There will be some knowledge of writers and theory which will be explicit and accurate. Answers will use some sociological language. This will be applied correctly. The quality of written communication is, for the most part good though there may be some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	Candidates will relate some knowledge to the question under consideration but the link is likely to be implicit.  Some evaluation and analysis of writers or theory will be present.  Evaluation may not be present throughout the answer.  Candidates will be able to demonstrate some logical argument and discussion.
5 - 7 Candidates will be able to make basic references to either writers, concepts, research evidence and/or theory. The writers, theories of evidence will be described accurately but will lack depth and breadth. Candidates will be able to use sociological terms correctly for the most part but there may be inaccuracies. The quality of written communication will be limited with frequent errors of punctuation, spelling and grammar.	10 - 17 There will be basic knowledge used and there will be an implicit focus on the question. There will be basic analysis and/or evaluation and only limited reference to any writers or theory. Evaluation will be basic and likely to be implicit or characterised by juxtaposition. Answers are likely to lack cohesion and/or logical argument.
1 - 4 Answers are likely to be limited and anecdotal with few if any references to writers, research or theory. There will be very little accurate knowledge or understanding. There will be very little use of sociological language. The quality of written communication will be poor with numerous errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	1 - 9 There will be very limited analysis or evaluation present. There may be rubric errors. Candidates make limited reference to the terms of the question. Candidates make limited use of analytical language.
0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

### **Option 3: Understanding Heath and Disability**

#### **Compulsory question:**

### Q.7 Outline and explain what is meant by the illness iceberg.

[15]

The focus of the answer should be on a definition and explanation of the illness iceberg. Answers should be fully rewarded for accuracy and succinct coverage of relevant points. Credit should be given to an understanding of the term illness iceberg and to an understanding of relevant sociologists, theories and examples.

Candidates will be credited with:

- · A clear definition of the term illness iceberg
- Reference to the work of Freund and McGuire and to that of Wadsworth
- Reference to relevant studies or sociological writing
- Applied use of examples

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited

Responses other than those listed above may be valid and credit worthy.

Marks	AO1
12-15	There will be detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding of the meaning of the illness iceberg. This will be demonstrated in a detailed description. Answers in this band will have depth and breadth.
8-11	There will be some knowledge and understanding of the meaning of the illness iceberg. Answers in this band will have depth or breadth.
4-7	There will be basic knowledge and understanding of the illness iceberg. Answers may lack depth and breadth.
1-3	Limited accurate knowledge or understanding will be present and the answer is likely to be vague and/or disorganised.
0	No knowledge and understanding.

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#### **EITHER:**

# Q.8 Evaluate the interactionist explanations of morbidity and mortality in the contemporary UK. [45]

The focus of the answer should be on an evaluation of interactionist explanations of morbidity and mortality. Answers may make reference to alternative explanations. Descriptive accounts of interactionist explanations and of alternative views will not be highly rewarded. High order skills of analysis and evaluation are weighted in this assessment so that high level success can only be achieved through the demonstration of these skills. Well supported lines of discussion will be rewarded.

Candidates may refer to some but not necessarily all of the following:

- Interactionist explanations of morbidity and mortality
- Labelling
- Stigmatisation
- Hak
- Bloor
- Tesh
- Marxist explanations
- Navarro
- Doyal and Pennell
- Functionalist explanations
- Parsons and the sick role
- Postmodernism
- Reference to relevant studies or sociological writing
- Applied use of examples

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited

# Q.9 Discuss the view that class inequalities of health and illness are caused by cultural factors. [45]

The focus of the answer should be on the view that class inequalities of health and illness are caused by cultural factors. Answers may make reference to alternative explanations of class inequalities. Descriptive accounts of class inequalities and of alternative views will not be highly rewarded. High order skills of analysis and evaluation are weighted in this assessment so that high level success can only be achieved through the demonstration of these skills. Well supported lines of discussion will be rewarded.

Candidates will be credited with:

- Detail of class inequalities
- Cultural factors
- Annandale and Field
- HMSO Reports
- Material factors Martin, Lobstein, Doyal and Pennell
- Black Report
- Acheson Report, Wanless Report and other relevant reports
- Artefact explanation Illsley
- Social selection
- Reference to recent political, social or public debate
- Reference to relevant studies or sociological writing
- Applied use of examples

All relevant examples and explanations will be credited

AO1 (13)	AO2 (32)
Candidates will be able to make specific, explicit and detailed reference to a range of writers, research and theory. Much of this material will have explicit sociological content.  Answers will be expressed in appropriate sociological language showing knowledge and understanding.  The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	Candidates will relate answers directly to the question under consideration and this link will be explicit. Essays will be formally constructed with a clear and logical argument. Evaluation and analysis will be explicit throughout the answers. Candidates will be able to make regular and explicit use of the correct analytical and/or evaluative language showing knowledge and understanding of its meaning. Candidates will be able to make explicit reference to the question under consideration. The candidate may challenge the terms of the question.
8 - 10 There will be some knowledge of writers and theory which will be explicit and accurate. Answers will use some sociological language. This will be applied correctly. The quality of written communication is, for the most part good though there may be some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	18 - 24 Candidates will relate some knowledge to the question under consideration but the link is likely to be implicit. Some evaluation and analysis of writers or theory will be present. Evaluation may not be present throughout the answer. Candidates will be able to demonstrate some logical argument and discussion.
5 - 7 Candidates will be able to make basic references to either writers, concepts, research evidence and/or theory. The writers, theories of evidence will be described accurately but will lack depth and breadth. Candidates will be able to use sociological terms correctly for the most part but there may be inaccuracies. The quality of written communication will be limited with frequent errors of punctuation, spelling and grammar.	10 - 17 There will be basic knowledge used and there will be an implicit focus on the question. There will be basic analysis and/or evaluation and only limited reference to any writers or theory. Evaluation will be basic and likely to be implicit or characterised by juxtaposition. Answers are likely to lack cohesion and/or logical argument.
1 - 4 Answers are likely to be limited and anecdotal with few if any references to writers, research or theory. There will be very little accurate knowledge or understanding. There will be very little use of sociological language. The quality of written communication will be poor with numerous errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	1 - 9 There will be very limited analysis or evaluation present. There may be rubric errors. Candidates make limited reference to the terms of the question. Candidates make limited use of analytical language.
0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

# Q.1 (Compulsory)

(a) Identify and explain two reasons why the researcher decided to use participant observation in his research. [10]

Answers may include:

- reliability they can replicate and make comparisons
- the nature of the research privacy should enhance validity
- information not influenced (bias)

Marks	AO1
8-10	Two methodologically sound reasons will be identified, with detailed reasons clearly explained.
5-7	Two reasons will be identified, with some explanations offered.
3-4	There will be basic understanding of the reasons why the method was chosen, with two reasons offered.
1-2	There will be limited understanding of the reasons, there will be limited understanding.
0	No relevant points will be made.

- (b) As an A Level Sociology student you have been asked to design a research project to collect qualitative data on attitudes to complementary medicine. Your sample should be taken from adults living in your area. [30]
  - Outline each stage of your research design explaining the reasons for your choices at each stage.
  - Identify some of the problems that may occur and their impact on the quality of the data collected.

Candidates should make their choices, justify their research design and identify potential problems in the light of:

- ethics
- validity
- reliability
- practical considerations
- generalisbility
- representativeness
- methods could be in depth/unstructured interviews
- expect to see a framework which might consider some or all of the following stages:
- secondary research
- operationalisation
- same population
- sampling technique
- · choice of method
- ethical issues
- practical issues
- analysis of data

AO1 (14)	AO2 (16)
12 - 14 Candidates will demonstrate their knowledge and understanding through detailed and accurate reference to a range of methodological terminology. Their research designs will be logical, demonstrating sound knowledge and understanding of research procedures. The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	13 - 16 Candidates will relate designs directly to the design brief under consideration and this link will be explicit. Designs will be justified in relation to key methodological considerations of reliability, validity, objectivity, representativeness, generalisability and ethics. There will be detailed explanation of the problems likely to be encountered and their impact on the data collected.
8 - 11 Candidates will demonstrate their knowledge and understanding through accurate reference to some methodological terminology. The research design will show some knowledge and understanding of research procedures. The quality of written communication is, for the most part good though there may be some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	9 - 12 Candidates will show some link between the design and the design brief. Designs will provide some justification in relation to reliability, validity, objectivity, representativeness, generalisability and ethics. There will be some identification of problems associated with the design with some reference to their impact.
5 - 7 There will be some attempt at constructing a research design. Candidates will be able to use basic sociological terms correctly. The quality of written communication will be limited with frequent errors of punctuation, spelling and grammar.	5 - 8 Candidates will show basic links between the design and the design brief. Designs will provide a basic justification in relation to reliability, validity, objectivity, representativeness, generalisability and ethics. Basic attempts at analysis and/or evaluation will be apparent.
1 - 4 Candidates may offer a very simplistic design with gaps in knowledge and understanding. Candidates will offer limited use of sociological language. The quality of written communication will be poor with numerous errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	1 - 4 Candidates make limited reference to the design brief. There will be limited reference to key methodological issues. Candidates make limited use of analytical language.
0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

### **Understanding World Sociology**

#### **EITHER:**

Q.2 (a) Identify two areas of life, one from the developing and one from the developed world where there is inequality. Illustrate your answer with reference to evidence from each area identified. [20]

Answers should cite evidence from two areas, e.g. education, health, work and pay, crime and deviance or any other suitable area.

- Typical areas for the developed world might be education, health, work and pay or crime and deviance.
- From the Developing World, examples and evidence of exploitation.

In the Developing World evidence reflecting inequalities between gender groups may come from:

- Work and pay, education, health
- In each case actual research evidence or statistics are required

AO1 (8)	AO2 (12)	
7 - 8 Candidates will be able to make specific, explicit and detailed reference to a range of evidence. Much of this material will have explicit sociological content. Answers will be expressed in appropriate sociological language showing knowledge and understanding. The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	Candidates will relate answers directly to the question under consideration and this link will be explicit.  There will be detailed analysis of the evidence identified.  Analysis will be explicit throughout the answers.  Candidates will be able to make regular and explicit use of correct analytical language showing knowledge and understanding of its meaning.  Candidates will be able to make explicit reference to the question under consideration.	
5 - 6 There will be some knowledge of evidence demonstrated. Answers will use some sociological language. This will be applied correctly. The quality of written communication is, for the most part good though there may be some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	6 - 9 Candidates will relate some knowledge to the question under consideration but the link is likely to be implicit. Some analysis of the evidence identified will be present. Analysis may not be present throughout the answer.	
3 - 4 Candidates will be able to make basic references to evidence but any identified will lack depth and breadth. Candidates will be able to use basic sociological terms correctly for the most part but there may be inaccuracies. The quality of written communication will be limited with frequent errors of punctuation, spelling and grammar.	4 - 5 There will be basic reference to evidence. Analysis of the evidence identified will be basic and likely to be implicit. Answers are likely to lack cohesion.	
1 - 2 Answers are likely to be limited and anecdotal with few if any references to evidence. There will be very limited accurate knowledge or understanding. There will be limited use of sociological language. The quality of written communication will be poor with numerous errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	1 - 3 There will be limited if any analysis present. There may be rubric errors. Candidates make limited use of analytical language.	
0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.	

# Q.2 (b) Evaluate the view that aid can do little to solve the problems of the Developing World. [30]

Answers may include reference to:

- dependency theory should be examined and evaluated Ferank, Cohen and Kennedy
- alternative theories may be examined to consider the usefulness of aid
- world systems theory Wallerstein may be considered in order to reflect on the view
- modernisation theory: Rostow as above
- focus should be on evaluation of the view throughout.

AO1 (13)	AO2 (17)
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1 - 3 Answers are likely to be anecdotal with few if any references to writers, research or theory. There will be very limited accurate knowledge or understanding. There will be very limited use of sociological language. The quality of written communication will be poor with numerous errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	1 - 4 There will be very limited analysis or evaluation present. There may be rubric errors. Candidates make limited reference to the terms of the question. Candidates make limited use of analytical language.
0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

Q.3 (a) Identify two areas of life, one from the developing world and one from the developed world where there is ethnic inequality. Illustrate your answer with reference to evidence from each area identified. [20]

Ethnic inequalities in education, crime and deviance, health or work and pay in the UK. In the Developing World evidence reflecting inequalities may come from:

- Work and pay, education, health
- In each case actual research evidence or statistics are required.

AO1 (8)	AO2 (12)	
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# Q.3 (b) Evaluate the usefulness of Marxist explanations of inequalities in the Developing World. [30]

Expect answers to focus on Dependency theory.

- Frank's ideas
- neo colonialism
- exploitation
- World Systems theory and how it answers some of the problems with Marxist ideas ... Wallerstein
- alternative ideas that are critical of Marxism ... modernisation and Rostow

AO1 (13)	AO2 (17)
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No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

# **Understanding Social Inequality**

### **EITHER:**

Q.4 (a) Identify two areas of life in the contemporary UK where there is evidence of inequality. Illustrate your answer with reference to appropriate evidence from each area identified.

[20]

Answers should identify two areas such as:

- Education
- Crime and deviance patterns and stats relating to gender class or ethnicity
- Health inequalities patterns of morbidity and mortality
- In each case research evidence of statistics need to be cited

AO1 (8)	AO2 (12)
7 - 8 Candidates will be able to make specific, explicit and detailed reference to a range of evidence. Much of this material will have explicit sociological content. Answers will be expressed in appropriate sociological language showing knowledge and understanding. The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	Candidates will relate answers directly to the question under consideration and this link will be explicit.  There will be detailed analysis of the evidence identified.  Analysis will be explicit throughout the answers.  Candidates will be able to make regular and explicit use of correct analytical language showing knowledge and understanding of its meaning.  Candidates will be able to make explicit reference to the question under consideration.
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0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

# Q.4 (b) Outline and evaluate sociological explanations for gender inequalities in the contemporary UK. [30]

Expect the focus to be on feminist ideas but consideration of any theory and its value in explaining gender inequality is acceptable.

- Radical feminism
- Liberal feminism
- Black feminism
- Dual labour market theory
- Triple systems theory ... Walby
- Preference theory ... Hakim
- Marxism
- Functionalism
- Weberianism
- There should be an evaluation of the ideas throughout

AO1 (13)	AO2 (17)
Candidates will be able to make specific, explicit and detailed reference to a range of writers, research and theory. Much of this material will have explicit sociological content.  Answers will be expressed in appropriate sociological language showing knowledge and understanding.  The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	Candidates will relate answers directly to the question under consideration and this link will be explicit.  Essays will be formally constructed with a clear and logical argument.  Evaluation and analysis will be explicit throughout the answers.  Candidates will be able to make regular and explicit use of the correct analytical and/or evaluative language showing knowledge and understanding of its meaning.  Candidates will be able to make explicit reference to the question under consideration.  The candidate may challenge the terms of the question.
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0 No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

Q.5 (a) Identify two areas of life in the contemporary UK where there is evidence of gender inequality. Illustrate your answer with reference to appropriate evidence from each area identified. [20]

Any two areas but there must be reference to at least two pieces of evidence for each area identified for the answer to get into Band 4 for A01.

Popular areas may be:

- Education
- Labelling
- Attainment
- Classroom studies
- Crime
- Work and pay
- Horizontal / vertical segregation of jobs

AO1 (8)	AO2 (12)
7 - 8 Candidates will be able to make specific, explicit and detailed reference to a range of evidence. Much of this material will have explicit sociological content. Answers will be expressed in appropriate sociological language showing knowledge and understanding. The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	Candidates will relate answers directly to the question under consideration and this link will be explicit.  There will be detailed analysis of the evidence identified.  Analysis will be explicit throughout the answers.  Candidates will be able to make regular and explicit use of correct analytical language showing knowledge and understanding of its meaning.  Candidates will be able to make explicit reference to the question under consideration.
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No relevant knowledge or understanding displayed.	0 No relevant analysis.

## Q.5 (b) Evaluate the view that social inequality is inevitable and functional. [30]

The focus should be on Functionalist ideas but consideration of other sociological explanations of inequality is also important.

The discussion about meritocracy should feature heavily.

- Davies and Moore
- Saunders
- Critics ... Marshall and Swift
- Marxism: false consciousness
- Polarisation, Althusser, Bowles and Gintis
- Weber: class status and party
- Reference to gender, ethnic and other dimensions of inequality used to argue the view
- There should be an evaluation of the view throughout

AO1 (13)	AO2 (17)
11 - 13 Candidates will be able to make specific, explicit and detailed reference to a range of writers, research and theory. Much of this material will have explicit sociological content. Answers will be expressed in appropriate sociological language showing knowledge and understanding. The quality of written communication is very good, with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation or grammar.	Candidates will relate answers directly to the question under consideration and this link will be explicit.  Essays will be formally constructed with a clear and logical argument.  Evaluation and analysis will be explicit throughout the answers.  Candidates will be able to make regular and explicit use of the correct analytical and/or evaluative language showing knowledge and understanding of its meaning.  Candidates will be able to make explicit reference to the question under consideration.  The candidate may challenge the terms of the question.
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