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Paper 3 Social Inequality and Opportunity

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No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

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

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



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Answer **three** questions.

Section A: Education

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

- 1 (a) Explain how language use may influence which pupils succeed in education. [9]
 (b) 'Schools are agents of ideological control.' Assess this view. [16]
- 2 (a) Explain how material deprivation may lead to educational underachievement. [9]
 (b) 'Compensatory education is the most effective way of helping working class pupils to succeed in school.' Assess this view. [16]

Section B: Global Development

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

- 3 (a) Explain the limitations of convergence theory. [9]
 (b) 'Dependency theories overestimate the extent to which developing societies are dominated by developed societies.' Assess this view. [16]
- 4 (a) Explain the main types of aid for developing societies. [9]
 (b) 'The poor remain in poverty because they are powerless to change their situation.' Assess this view. [16]

Section C: Media

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

- 5 (a) Explain the impact of globalisation on media ownership and control. [9]
 (b) 'The ruling class use the media to control public opinion.' Assess this view. [16]
- 6 (a) Explain how agenda setting influences the presentation of news. [9]
 (b) 'Social class is the main factor influencing the extent to which people are affected by the media.' Assess this view. [16]

Section D: Religion

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

- 7 (a) Explain why participation in religious ceremonies may be a poor measure of religiosity. [9]
- (b) 'There is little evidence that secularisation has occurred in modern industrial societies.'
Assess this view. [16]
- 8 (a) Explain why men hold the positions of power within most religious organisations. [9]
- (b) 'The growth of religious fundamentalism is a response to uncertainty in the modern world.'
Assess this view. [16]

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