

Friday 25 May 2012 – Afternoon

AS GCE SOCIOLOGY

G672/01/1 Topics in socialisation, culture and identity

INSERT – QUESTION BOOKLET

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **any two** of the eight essay questions.
- You may choose 2 questions from the same option **or** 1 question from each of two different options.
- Each question has **two** parts.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for each question is **50**.
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- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

INSTRUCTION TO EXAMS OFFICER/INVIGILATOR

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You may choose 2 questions from the same option or 1 question from each of two different options.

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OPTION 1

Sociology of the Family

- 1 (a) Identify and explain **two** functions of the family in society. [17]
- (b) Outline and evaluate sociological explanations of the roles of men and women within the family. [33]

[Total: 50 Marks]

- 2 (a) Identify and explain **two** reasons why the marriage rate has declined in the contemporary UK. [17]
- (b) Outline and evaluate the view that families in the UK are increasingly diverse. [33]

[Total: 50 Marks]

OPTION 2

Sociology of Health

- 3 (a) Identify and explain **two** features of bio-medical approaches to understanding health and illness. [17]
- (b) Outline and evaluate the view that social class inequalities in health and illness are a result of structural factors. [33]

[Total: 50 Marks]

- 4 (a) Identify and explain **two** features of functionalist explanations of the role of health professionals in society. [17]
- (b) Outline and evaluate sociological explanations of mental illness. [33]

[Total: 50 Marks]

OPTION 3**Sociology of Religion**

5 (a) Identify and explain **two** problems in defining religiosity. [17]

(b) Outline and evaluate the Weberian view that religion can be a force for social change. [33]

[Total: 50 Marks]

6 (a) Identify and explain **two** ways in which denominations differ from other religious organisations. [17]

(b) Outline and evaluate the view that religiosity is related to ethnicity. [33]

[Total: 50 Marks]

OPTION 4**Sociology of Youth**

7 (a) Identify and explain **two** features of girl subcultures. [17]

(b) Outline and evaluate functionalist explanations of youth deviance. [33]

[Total: 50 Marks]

8 (a) Identify and explain **two** features of youth subcultures in a postmodern society. [17]

(b) Outline and evaluate the view that ethnicity has the greatest influence on pupils' experience of school. [33]

[Total: 50 Marks]

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