

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS

Advanced GCE

PSYCHOLOGY

2549

Psychology and Crime

Tuesday

13 JUNE 2006

Morning

1 hour 30 minutes

Each candidate must be given:

1. one copy of this question paper;
2. one 8-page answer booklet.

Additional materials:

4-page answer books may be issued to candidates who require them.

TIME 1 hour 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- Answer **one** question in Section A and **one** question in Section B.
- Write your answers on the separate answer booklet provided.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.

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 this paper is **50**.
- You will be awarded marks for the quality of written communication where an answer requires a piece of extended writing.

This question paper consists of 2 printed pages.

Section A

Answer Question 1 or Question 2 from this section.

- 1 (a) Describe one case study of offender profiling. [6]
 (b) Discuss the usefulness of offender profiling. [10]
 [Total: 16 marks]

- 2 (a) Describe one social psychological explanation of criminal behaviour. [6]
 (b) Discuss the differences between two psychological explanations of criminal behaviour. [10]
 [Total: 16 marks]

Section B

Answer Question 3 or Question 4 from this section.

- 3 (a) Describe psychological factors which influence the police and police methods. [10]
 (b) Evaluate psychological factors which influence the police and police methods. [16]
 (c) The police have been called to a siege situation where hostages have been taken. As a psychologist, what advice would you give to the police in negotiating a peaceful end to the siege? Give reasons for your answer. [8]
 [Total: 34 marks]

- 4 (a) Describe what psychologists have found out about the psychology of testimony. [10]
 (b) Evaluate what psychologists have found out about the psychology of testimony. [16]
 (c) A customer has been held at knifepoint during a bank raid. The customer is then asked to give a description of the attacker to the police. Using your knowledge of psychology, what factors may influence the accuracy of the customer's description. [8]
 [Total: 34 marks]

[Total paper marks: 50]