

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS
ADVANCED GCE
G673
SOCIOLOGY
Power and Control

FRIDAY 21 JANUARY 2011: Afternoon
DURATION: 1 hour 30 minutes

SUITABLE FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED CANDIDATES

Candidates answer on the answer booklet.

OCR SUPPLIED MATERIALS:

16 page answer booklet
(sent with general stationery)

OTHER MATERIALS REQUIRED:

None

READ INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- **Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.**
- **Use black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.**
- **Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.**
- **Answer any TWO of the twelve questions.**

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 100.**

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Answer any TWO of the following twelve questions.

OPTION 1

CRIME AND DEVIANCE

- 1 Outline and assess the importance of self-report studies for the sociological understanding of crime and deviance. [50]**
- 2 Outline and assess Left Realist explanations of crime and deviance. [50]**
- 3 Outline and assess the role of the police in the social construction of crime. [50]**

OPTION 2

EDUCATION

- 4 Outline and assess the Marxist view that the role of the education system is to serve the interests of the ruling class. [50]**
- 5 Outline and assess the view that processes within schools result in differences in educational achievement between ethnic groups. [50]**
- 6 Outline and assess the success of educational policies in the UK since 1997. [50]**

OPTION 3

MASS MEDIA

- 7 Outline and assess the view that the owners hold power and control of the media. [50]**
- 8 Outline and assess the view that the strengths of content analysis as a method of media research outweigh the weaknesses. [50]**
- 9 Outline and assess the view that mass media representations of minority ethnic groups are based on negative stereotypes. [50]**

OPTION 4

POWER AND POLITICS

- 10 Outline and assess the view that the ruling class maintain power by persuading people to accept ruling class ideology. [50]**
- 11 Outline and assess Postmodern explanations of the emergence of new social movements. [50]**
- 12 Outline and assess the view that riots are a collective response to social deprivation. [50]**

Paper Total [100]

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