

**OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS
ADVANCED GCE**

G673

SOCIOLOGY

Power and Control

WEDNESDAY 15 JUNE 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.**

Answer any TWO of the following twelve questions.

OPTION 1

CRIME AND DEVIANCE

- 1 Outline and assess the view that the law operates to serve the interests of the ruling class. [50]**

- 2 Outline and assess Feminist explanations of why women are victims of crime. [50]**

- 3 Outline and assess sociological explanations of why some locations have higher crime rates than others. [50]**

OPTION 2

EDUCATION

- 4 Outline and assess the view that educational policy since 1988 has made equality of opportunity a reality. [50]**

- 5 Outline and assess cultural explanations of social class differences in educational achievement. [50]**

- 6 Outline and assess the Functionalist view that the education system effectively prepares young people for employment. [50]**

OPTION 3

MASS MEDIA

- 7 Outline and assess the view that the mass media have an indirect effect on audiences. [50]**

- 8 Outline and assess the view that mass media representations of age are based on stereotypes. [50]**

- 9 Outline and assess the view that the news reflects reality. [50]**

OPTION 4

POWER AND POLITICS

- 10 Outline and assess the view that the emergence of new social movements is a response to social change. [50]**
- 11 Outline and assess Marxist explanations of changing patterns of political action. [50]**
- 12 Outline and assess the view that ideology remains important in politics today. [50]**

Paper Total [100]

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