

FORM 5

SOCIAL STUDIES (GENERAL)

TIME: 1h 45min

This examination paper contains FOUR sections (A, B, C, and D). Students must answer ALL sections. The marks for each section appear between brackets.

Section A: Read this passage carefully and then answer ALL the following questions in detail on a separate paper:

In recent years the roles of men and women within the family have changed substantially. In the past we used to talk about a patriarchal family, but today we find a type of family which is more symmetrical. This has somewhat changed the values of society. Although the roles of men and women within the family are not the same as they used to be in the past, most household chores are still carried out by women, even if they work outside the house to financially support the family. Research carried out by the European Union has revealed that family responsibilities are still very much a woman's concern, and this leads to gender inequality within the family.

Questions:

- 1) Define the following terms:
 - i) **role**
 - ii) **inequality**
 - iii) **stereotypes**
 - iv) **gender**(4)
 - 2) How can culture affect the roles of women and men in society? Give **TWO** examples. (4)
 - 3) Why do you think women still carry out most household chores? Explain your answer by giving **TWO** examples. (4)
 - 4) Women are taking up certain careers. Which careers are particularly common among women? Give **THREE** examples. (6)
 - 5) Do you think there is a difference in the way men and women are treated at the workplace? Support your answer by **TWO** examples. (4)
 - 6) Mention **TWO** organizations, one international and one national, which promote gender equality. (8)
 - 7) Explain in detail how society transmits gender-related roles to children. (6)
- (30 marks)**

Section B: Read this passage carefully and then answer ALL the following questions in detail on a separate paper:

Facebook and *Youtube* are a virtual reality where people from all over the world meet, share their ideas and socialize. These give a person an opportunity to learn, explore new ideas, and discover one's own identity. Once ideas are shared between different cultures, countries eliminate their differences and reduce conflicts. Values are continuously spreading among more people, leading to the development of a mainstream culture that influences the rest of the community. Consequently international solidarity has become even more possible. Globalization has virtually shortened the distance between countries and therefore they experience less cultural differences between them.

Questions:

- 1) What is **international solidarity**? Give **TWO** examples to support your answer. (4)
 - 2) The internet and social networking offer the individual a virtual life. Explain this sentence giving **TWO** examples. (4)
 - 3) What do we mean by **globalization**? Mention **TWO** factors, other than those mentioned in the above extract, which contribute to globalization. (6)
 - 4) What are **multi-national companies**? Explain their functions in a modern society. (4)
 - 5) Explain the difference between **free trade** and **fair trade**. (4)
 - 6) In today's globalised world countries have become more interdependent. Explain this sentence and sustain your answer by giving **TWO** examples. (6)
- (30 marks)**

Section C: Write a paragraph of about 150 words on ONE of the following on a separate paper:

- 1) World population is growing rapidly in a short period of time. Which factors are contributing to this increase in population?
 - 2) Define **social solidarity**. Show the difference between **contributory services** and **non-contributory services**.
 - 3) Do you think women prefer to seek a career? Discuss.
- (15 marks)**

Section D: Choose ONE of the following topics and write about 250 words on a separate paper:

- 1) Define **pressure groups** and explain their role in society by giving examples.
 - 2) In recent years many countries have experienced high unemployment. Explain what **unemployment** is and discuss in detail **THREE** reasons why this occurs.
 - 3) The effect of globalization brings about global political activities, such as the G8 and G20 summits. Choose **ONE** of these two groups and describe in detail the advantages and disadvantages of its role on an international level.
 - 4) Define **social integration**. Discuss in detail by giving examples.
- (25 marks)**