

Monday 23 January 2012 – Morning

A2 GCE SOCIOLOGY

G673/01/1 Power and Control

INSERT – QUESTION BOOKLET

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink. HB 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.
- Write your answer to each question on the lined pages in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers **must** be clearly shown.

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Answer any **two** of the following twelve questions.

Option 1

Crime and Deviance

- 1 Outline and assess the usefulness of official statistics as a measurement of crime. [50]
- 2 Outline and assess subcultural explanations of crime and deviance. [50]
- 3 Outline and assess the role of the mass media in the social construction of crime and deviance. [50]

Option 2

Education

- 4 Outline and assess the view that the role of the education system is to reproduce and transmit culture. [50]
- 5 Outline and assess the view that gender differences in educational achievement are caused by factors outside schools. [50]
- 6 Outline and assess the view that vocationalism has created opportunities for young people. [50]

Option 3

Mass Media

- 7 Outline and assess sociological explanations of the role of the mass media in creating moral panics. [50]
- 8 Outline and assess the view that gender representations in the media are no longer based on stereotypes. [50]
- 9 Outline and assess Postmodern views on the social construction of the news. [50]

Option 4

Power and Politics

- 10 Outline and assess Pluralist explanations of the distribution of power in society. [50]
- 11 Outline and assess the view that the growth of new social movements is a result of the decline in support for traditional party politics. [50]
- 12 Outline and assess Feminist explanations of political action in society. [50]

Paper Total [100]

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