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Paper 1: Sociology

Sample paper

1 hour 45 minutes

- Introduction to Sociology- Theories, Concepts and Processes
- Family and households
- Education

INSTRUCTIONS:

- It is necessary to respond on the answer sheets provided alongside this question paper
- You must write your name, candidate number, centre name and centre number on the answer sheets in the designated spaces.
- Attempt all the questions from the paper using a dark blue or black pen.
- Do not use correction fluid.
- Avoid writing on any bar codes.

INFORMATION:

- This paper has a total of 80 marks.
- It is important to follow the instructions provided on the answer sheet.
- The number of marks assigned for every question or its parts is indicated within brackets [].

Section 1: Introduction to Sociology- Theories, Concepts and Processes

- Q1. What is meant by the term 'patriarchy' [2 marks]
- Q2. What is meant by the term 'hybrid identities' [2 marks]
- Q3. What is meant by the term 'ruling class ideology' [2 marks]
- Q4. Explain how society operates from the perspective of functionalist sociologists [4 marks]
- Q5. Explain how one agent of socialisation can reinforce a person's gender identity [4 marks]
- Q6. Identify one agent of informal social control and explain how effective this agent is in maintaining social order [6 marks]
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Section 2: Families and households

- Q7. Which of the following describes a family where the children have left home? (choose the right option) [1 marks]
- Nuclear family
 - Lone parent family
 - Empty nest family
 - Beanpole family
- Q8. What is meant by the term 'family diversity' [2 marks]
- Q9. What is meant by the term 'secularisation' [2 marks]
- Q10. Explain one factor that has led to a decline in the birth rate [4 marks]
- Q11. Explain why some sociologists argue that nuclear families can be harmful [6 marks]
- Q12. *'The main reason for the increase in divorce is the changing position of women in society today'*
- Evaluate the extent to which sociologists would agree with this statement [15 marks]
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Section 3: Education

Q13. Which of the following describes a group of students who are opposed to values of the education system?

(choose the right option)

[1 marks]

- Interschool subculture
- Anti-school subculture
- Pro-school subculture
- Extra-school subculture

Q14. What is meant by the term 'self-fulfilling prophecy'

[2 marks]

Q15. What is meant by the term 'ethnocentric curriculum'

[2 marks]

Q16. Explain one factor which may lead to the underachievement of working class students

[4 marks]

Q17. Explain why some sociologists argue that schools are meritocratic institutions

[6 marks]

Q18. *'The primary purpose of schools is to create a subservient workforce'*

Evaluate the extent to which sociologists would agree with this statement [15 marks]
