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Paper 2: Sociology

Sample paper

1 hour 45 minutes

- Carrying out Sociological Research
- Criminality, Deviance and Control
- Stratification, Inequality and Poverty

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: Carrying out Sociological Research

- Q1. What is meant by the term 'validity' [2 marks]
- Q2. What is meant by the term 'rapport' [2 marks]
- Q3. What is meant by the term 'objectivity' [2 marks]
- Q4 Explain why a sociologist may choose to use a postal questionnaire as part of sociological research [4 marks]
- Q5. Explain how one research method can lead to the collection of qualitative data [4 marks]
- Q6 Identify one sampling technique and explain how effective this sampling technique may be in generating a representative sample for sociological research [6 marks]
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Section 2: Criminality, Deviance and Control

- Q7. Which of the following describes criminal activity which is not financially motivated? (choose the right option) [1 marks]
- Utilitarian crime
 - Non-utilitarian crime
 - White collar crime
 - Corporate crime
- Q8. What is meant by the term 'selective law enforcement' [2 marks]
- Q9. What is meant by the term 'deviance' [2 marks]
- Q10. Explain one factor that may lead to higher arrest rates of men compared to women [4 marks]
- Q11. Explain why some sociologists argue that crime can be functional for society [6 marks]
- Q12. *'The most effective way of reducing crime is through zero-tolerance policing'*
Evaluate the extent to which sociologists would agree with this *statement* [15 marks]
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Section 3: Stratification, Inequality and Poverty

Q13. Which of the following describes a type of poverty where people lack the money and resources needed to access the basic needs of life?

(choose the right option)

[1 marks]

- Relative poverty
- Absolute poverty
- Subjective poverty
- Environmental poverty

Q14. What is meant by the term 'poverty trap'

[2 marks]

Q15. What is meant by the term 'glass ceiling'

[2 marks]

Q16. Explain one factor which may lead to high rates of poverty amongst ethnic minorities

[4 marks]

Q17. Explain why some sociologists argue that globalisation has led to greater levels of poverty for some groups in society

[6 marks]

Q18. '*Stratification and inequality are necessary parts of a smooth running society*'

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