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1.00 PM – 3.00 PM

SOCIOLOGY  
INTERMEDIATE 2

Candidates must answer **all** questions in Section A and Section B and **one** question from Section C.

Sections A and B are worth 25 marks each, and the questions in Section C are each worth 20 marks.

This gives a total of 70 marks for this question paper.



## Section A—Studying Human Society: The Sociological Approach

*Marks Code*

Candidates must answer **all** questions in this Section.

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| <b>A1.</b> Describe <b>two</b> differences between common sense and sociological explanations of human social behaviour. | <b>4</b>    | <b>KU</b> |
| <b>A2.</b> Describe <b>two</b> strengths of functionalism.   | <b>4</b>    | <b>KU</b> |
| <b>A3.</b> Describe <b>two</b> features of Action Theory.  | <b>4</b>    | <b>KU</b> |
| <b>A4.</b> Explain <b>one</b> similarity and <b>one</b> difference between Marxism and Feminism.                         | <b>6</b>    | <b>AE</b> |
| <b>A5.</b> Describe <b>two</b> features of participant observation.  | <b>4</b>    | <b>KU</b> |
| <b>A6.</b> Explain <b>one</b> advantage of using surveys as a primary research method.                                   | <b>3</b>    | <b>AE</b> |
|  | <b>(25)</b> |           |

## Section B—Socialisation

*Marks Code*

Candidates must answer **all** questions in this Section.

**B1.** Describe what sociologists mean by each of the following terms.

- Social roles
- Values
- Culture

**6 KU**

**B2.** Choose **one** social value you have studied and explain the ways in which this social value is different in **two** contrasting cultures.

**6 AE**

**B3.** The nature versus nurture debate is important in sociology. Describe **two** features of the nurture side of the debate.

**4 KU**

**B4.** Describe the contribution to the socialisation process of any **three** agents of secondary socialisation.

**6 KU**

**B5.** Explain the ways **either** family **or** peer group contributes to social order.

**3 AE**  
**(25)**

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## Section C—Social Stratification

Marks Code

Answer **one** question from **C1–C5**.

**C1. Social Class:** Analyse the relationship between the changing nature of social class and social mobility in the UK today.

In your answer you should:

- describe social stratification 6 KU
- describe social class 6 KU
- explain and evaluate the link between social class and social mobility in the UK. 8 AE

**C2. Gender:** Analyse the link between gender roles and inequalities in the UK.

In your answer you should:

- describe social stratification 6 KU
- describe gender and social mobility 6 KU
- explain and evaluate the link between gender and inequalities. 8 AE

**C3. Race and Ethnicity:** Analyse the ways social mobility may be affected by ethnicity.

In your answer you should:

- describe social stratification 6 KU
- describe race and ethnicity 6 KU
- explain and evaluate the link between race and ethnicity and social mobility. 8 AE

**C4. Age:** Analyse the relationship between age and social inequality in areas such as employment, unemployment and access to benefits in the UK.

In your answer you should:

- describe social stratification 6 KU
- describe age 6 KU
- explain and evaluate the link between age and social inequality. 8 AE

**C5. Disability:** Analyse the ways in which disability can affect life chances of some people in the UK.

In your answer you should:

- describe social stratification 6 KU
- describe disability 6 KU
- explain and evaluate the link between disability and social inequality. 8 AE

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