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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**

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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> Explain <b>one</b> similarity between functionalism and Marxism.  | <b>3</b>    | <b>AE</b> |
| <b>A3.</b> Describe <b>two</b> features of feminism.   | <b>4</b>    | <b>KU</b> |
| <b>A4.</b> Describe <b>two</b> features of Action theory.  | <b>4</b>    | <b>KU</b> |
| <b>A5.</b> Describe <b>two</b> features of structured interviews.  | <b>4</b>    | <b>KU</b> |
| <b>A6.</b> Explain <b>one</b> advantage and <b>one</b> disadvantage of using official statistics in sociological research. | <b>6</b>    | <b>AE</b> |
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## Section B—Socialisation

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

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| <b>B1.</b> Describe what sociologists mean by the term values. Give <b>one</b> example of a value found in the UK.                      | <b>3</b>    | <b>KU</b> |
| <b>B2.</b> Choose <b>one</b> social norm and explain the way in which this social norm is different in <b>two</b> contrasting cultures. | <b>6</b>    | <b>AE</b> |
| <b>B3.</b> Describe <b>both</b> sides of the nature versus nurture debate.  | <b>4</b>    | <b>KU</b> |
| <b>B4.</b> Explain <b>two</b> ways in which socialisation contributes to social order.  | <b>6</b>    | <b>AE</b> |
| <b>B5.</b> Describe the ways in which Peer Groups, Religion and Work contribute to the process of socialisation.                        | <b>6</b>    | <b>KU</b> |
|   | <b>(25)</b> |           |

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## Section C—Social Stratification

Marks Code

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

**C1. Social Class:** Analyse the changing nature of social class and the way in which this affects social inequality in the UK.

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 inequality in the UK. 8 AE

**C2. Gender:** Analyse the link between gender inequalities and the way in which they affect social mobility in the UK.

In your answer you should:

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

**C3. Race and Ethnicity:** Analyse the role of the media in forming stereotypes of ethnic groups and the way this could affect social mobility in the UK.

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 implications of changes in the age structure of modern society and how they could lead to social inequality 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 in the UK. 8 AE

**C5. Disability:** Analyse the social construction of disability and the way this can contribute to social inequality for some individuals 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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