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Sociology

WEDNESDAY, 1 JUNE

9:00 AM – 10:50 AM

Total marks — 55

SECTION 1 — HUMAN SOCIETY — 30 marks

Attempt ALL questions.

SECTION 2 — CULTURE AND IDENTITY — 25 marks

Attempt the question.

Write your answers clearly in the answer booklet provided. In the answer booklet you must clearly identify the question number you are attempting.

Use **blue** or **black** ink.

Before leaving the examination room you must give your answer booklet to the Invigilator; if you do not, you may lose all the marks for this paper.



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SECTION 1 — HUMAN SOCIETY — 30 marks

Attempt ALL questions

1. Explain what feminists mean when they describe society as a patriarchy. 4
2. Explain two differences between structural and action theories. 6
3. Evaluate one strength and one weakness of symbolic interactionism. 6
4.

A sociologist wants to carry out research into ageism in Scotland. Her hypothesis is, 'Scottish employers discriminate against employees who are over 50 years old'. She is using an action theory and wants to find out about individual workers' experiences in the workplace.

 - (a) Referring to the scenario above, evaluate the use of unstructured interviews. 6
 - (b) Explain in what ways the sociologist might operationalise this research. 4
5. Describe two advantages of using covert instead of overt participant observation in research. 4

SECTION 2 — CULTURE AND IDENTITY — 25 marks

Attempt the question

6. Analyse the extent to which society influences the formation of identity.

In your answer you must:

- use **one** structural and **one** action theory
- use at least **one** sociological study of your choice
- link your study to your theories.

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