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2 hours

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer two questions in total:

Section A: answer Question 1.

Answer either Question 2 in Section B or Question 3 in Section C.

 Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].



[2]

Section A: Theory and methods

Answer Question 1.

Source A

Life expectancy at birth, total (years) for selected countries

1 The table shows the life expectancy for people in six countries between 1990 and 2018.

The data is gathered from each country's official statistics, such as census and death records.

Table 1.1

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Country	1990	2000	2010	2018				
Argentina	72	74	76	77.5				
Bangladesh	58	65	70	73				
India	58	63	67	70				
Mauritius	69	72	73	75				
Pakistan	60	63	65	68				
Uganda	46	46	57	65				

Source: adapted from World Bank Data Report: World Development Indicators.

- (a) From Source A, identify the **two** countries that have the highest life expectancy in 2000. [2]
- **(b)** Identify **two** reasons for the interviewer effect.

(c) Using information from Source A, describe **two** problems with the data gathered on life expectancy. [4]

- (d) Describe two strengths of using comparative studies in research. [4]
- (e) Describe two strengths and two limitations of using social surveys in sociological research.[8]
- (f) Explain why sociologists use pilot studies as part of their research. [10]
- (g) To what extent is the Marxist view of society correct? [15]

[15]

Answer either Question 2 or Question 3.

Section B: Culture, identity and socialisation

2	Sociologists debate the effectiveness of different agents of social control such as religion. Some
	researchers investigate how the hidden curriculum socialises children in schools, other researchers
	concentrate on the impact of role modelling. One of the issues sociologists still debate is whether
	individuals continue to be socialised into traditional gender identities.

(a)	What is meant by the term 'role modelling'?	[2]
(b)	Describe two features of traditional femininity.	[4]
(c)	Explain how socialisation occurs through the hidden curriculum.	[6]
(d)	Explain why sub-cultures exist in society.	[8]

Section C: Social inequality

(e) To what extent is religion the most effective agent of social control?

3	mar is e	ny people enjoy improved life chances in modern industrial societies. However, there are ny barriers to social mobility and in some countries individuals live in absolute poverty. The vidence that prejudice and discrimination is often linked to a person's ethnicity or gender. The many explanations for the causes of inequality, such as the dependency culture.	nere
	(a)	What is meant by the term 'absolute poverty'?	[2]
	(b)	Describe two examples of life chances.	[4]
	(c)	Explain how discrimination can affect women's lives.	[6]
	(d)	Explain why a dependency culture exists in some societies.	[8]
	(e)	To what extent is ethnicity the most important influence on social mobility in modern societ	ies? [15]

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