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Paper 2 Family, Education and Crime **October/November 2025**

1 hour 45 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

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INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions.
- 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 [ ].

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Answer **two** questions.

Family

1 **(a)** Define the term:

(i) domestic division of labour [2]

(ii) life expectancy. [2]

(b) State **two** family structures. [2]

(c) Describe **three** ways family life can be positive for its members. [6]

(d) Explain **three** ways urbanisation affects family life. [6]

(e) Discuss the view that family life is diverse.

Your answer should include:

- at least **three** developed points with evidence. [8]

(f) Evaluate the view that the family benefits capitalism.

Your answer should include:

- at least **three** arguments for and **three** arguments against
- a conclusion. [14]

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Education

2 **(a)** Define the term:

(i) homeschooling [2]

(ii) formal education. [2]

(b) Give **two** examples of gender hierarchy in schools. [2]

(c) Describe **three** features of progressive schooling. [6]

(d) Explain **three** ways schools prepare students for the workplace. [6]

(e) Discuss why state schools are criticised.

Your answer should include:

- at least **three** developed points with evidence. [8]

(f) Evaluate the view that all ethnic groups are given equal opportunities in schools.

Your answer should include:

- at least **three** arguments for and **three** arguments against
- a conclusion. [14]

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Crime, deviance and social control

3 **(a)** Define the term:

(i) discrimination [2]

(ii) probation. [2]

(b) State **two** patterns of victimisation. [2]

(c) Describe **three** ways informal agencies of social control can prevent crime. [6]

(d) Explain **three** limitations of feminist explanations for crime. [6]

(e) Discuss the view that ethnicity is an important factor in explaining why individuals commit crime.

Your answer should include:

- at least **three** developed points with evidence. [8]

(f) Evaluate the view that rehabilitation is the most effective way to deal with crime.

Your answer should include:

- at least **three** arguments for and **three** arguments against
- a conclusion. [14]

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