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Sociology

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Instructions to Candidates

Candidates should enter their surname, forename(s), date of birth, Scottish candidate number and the name and level of the subject at the top of their first answer sheet.

Total marks – 70

Attempt ALL questions

You must clearly identify the question number you are attempting on your answer sheet.

An ow in the margin indicates a new question.

Marks are shown in square brackets at the end of each question or part question.

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Total marks — 70

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ow Question 1 Human Society

- (a) Explain two differences between common sense and sociological explanations. [6 marks]
- (b) Describe two features of structured interviews. [4 marks]
- (c) Explain one advantage and one disadvantage of participant observation. [6 marks]
- (d) Describe two features of official statistics. [4 marks]
- (e) Describe two features of the action perspective. [4 marks]
- (f) Use the structural perspective to explain relationships among individuals, groups and institutions in society. [6 marks]

ow Question 2 Culture and Identity

- (a) Describe two ways that primary socialisation can influence human behaviour. [4 marks]
- (b) Explain two features of a culture you have studied. [6 marks]
- (c) Explain what sociologists mean by the term diversity. [6 marks]
- (d) Describe how a piece of research evidence or source has helped develop your understanding of identity. [4 [Braille page 3] marks]

ow Question 3 Social Issues

- (a) Describe the role that social class plays in differential achievement in education. [4 marks]
- (b) Explain two findings of the sociological study, Pygmalion in the classroom (1968) by Rosenthal and Jacobson. [6 marks]
- (c) Choose a social issue you have studied, other than differential achievement in education and:
 - (i) Explain your social issue using one sociological theory. [6 marks]
 - (ii) Describe two findings from a piece of research evidence related to your social issue. [4 marks]

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