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**SOCIOLOGY**

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Paper 1 Principles and Methods 1

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Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

**1 hour 30 minutes**

**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.  
Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.  
Write in dark blue or black pen on both sides of the paper.  
You may use a soft pencil for any diagrams, graphs or rough working.  
Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

There are three sections in this paper: Section A, Section B and Section C. Choose **two** of these sections and answer **one** question from **each** of the sections you have chosen.  
At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.  
The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.

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Answer **two** questions, each from a different section.

**Section A: The Sociological Perspective**

- 1 Describe and assess the functionalist theory of socialisation. [25]
- 2 Explain and assess the idea that childhood is a social construct. [25]

**Section B: Sociological Methods**

- 3 Assess the advantages **and** limitations of using secondary data in sociological research. [25]
- 4 'The quality of the evidence produced by longitudinal studies more than compensates for the practical difficulties involved in carrying out this type of research.' Discuss. [25]

**Section C: Social Differentiation and Stratification**

- 5 'There are no longer any clear divisions between the working class and the middle class in modern industrial societies'. Explain and assess this view [25]
- 6 To what extent can the inequality experienced by many ethnic minority groups be explained in terms of racial discrimination? [25]