
SOCIOLOGY

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Paper 1 The Family

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1 hour 30 minutes

No Additional Materials are required.

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An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

Answer Question 1 and **either** Question 2 **or** Question 3.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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Section A

Answer Question 1.

- 1 Some sociologists argue that childhood, as a distinctive phase in a person's life, is disappearing. They state that the differences that used to exist between childhood and adulthood are becoming less clear, meaning that childhood is no longer a distinctive *age set*. For example, children are becoming increasingly exposed to the adult world through developments such as the internet.

Other sociologists, such as Jenks, recognise that childhood may be changing but argue that it remains a distinctive phase. For example, children are still treated differently to adults in most societies and laws exist that limit the ability of children to act for themselves. The New Right, however, would argue that children in some societies have experienced a loss of innocence and need more protection from the adult world.

- (a) Define the term *age set*. [2]
- (b) Describe **two** ways in which children are treated differently to adults in most societies. [4]
- (c) Explain the possible consequences of failing to protect children from the adult world. [8]
- (d) Assess the view that childhood is disappearing. [11]

Section B

Answer **either** Question 2 **or** Question 3.

- 2 Explain and assess the view that patriarchy remains a powerful influence on family roles and relationships. [25]
- 3 Explain and assess the view that the main role of the family is to reinforce value consensus in society. [25]

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