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SOCIOLOGY

Paper 1 Education with Theory and Methods

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EDUCATION

Answer ALL questions.

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Outline TWO ways in which globalisation may have had an influence on educational policies in the UK.

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Outline THREE reasons why some working-class boys join anti-school subcultures. [6 marks]

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Read ITEM A below and answer the question that follows.

ITEM A

Some sociologists claim that the curriculum taught in schools today prioritises some cultures over others. Research also suggests that teacher expectations can be based on stereotypes.

Teaching and learning in schools may affect the educational experiences of minority ethnic groups.

Applying material from ITEM A, analyse TWO ways in which teaching and learning in schools may affect the educational experiences of minority ethnic groups. [10 marks]



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Read ITEM B below and answer the question that follows.

ITEM B

Some sociologists, such as functionalists, claim that the education system is based on meritocratic principles and provides all pupils with the opportunity to succeed. Pupils, whatever their background, are objectively assessed through the examination process.

Other sociologists claim that meritocracy is a myth. The education system ensures that existing social inequalities are reproduced in each generation.

Applying material from ITEM B and your knowledge, evaluate the view that the education system is meritocratic. [30 marks]

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METHODS IN CONTEXT**05**

Read ITEM C below and answer the question that follows.

ITEM C

Investigating the academic progress of pupils in schools

There are differences in educational achievement between groups of pupils in schools. Sociologists seek to identify patterns of differential achievement and the reasons for these patterns. Academic progress is influenced by a range of factors, both external and internal to schools.

One way of studying the reasons for differences in academic progress between groups of pupils is to use secondary data. Schools collect and produce a range of quantitative secondary data, such as exam statistics, as well as qualitative secondary data, such as progress reports and pupils' work. One practical advantage of using secondary data is that it is often available in the public domain. However, access to some secondary data may be restricted. Data on pupil progress may also be presented in a selective way.



Applying material from ITEM C and your knowledge of research methods, evaluate the strengths and limitations of using secondary data to investigate the academic progress of pupils in schools. [20 marks]

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THEORY AND METHODS

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**Outline and explain TWO arguments against the positivist view that sociology can be scientific.
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