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You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **three** questions, **each** from a different section.
- 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 75.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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Answer **three** questions.

Section A: Education

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

- 1 (a) Explain how family income may influence educational achievement. [9]
 (b) 'Lack of cultural capital is the main reason why some minority ethnic groups underachieve in education.' Assess this view. [16]
- 2 (a) Explain why intelligence may have little influence on educational achievement. [9]
 (b) 'Schools exist to reproduce the next generation of workers.' Assess this view. [16]

Section B: Global Development

Answer **either** Question 3 **or** Question 4.

- 3 (a) Explain why women experience greater poverty than men in many societies. [9]
 (b) 'International aid agencies fail to address the true causes of poverty in developing societies.' Assess this view. [16]
- 4 (a) Explain the cultural impact of globalisation in developing societies. [9]
 (b) 'Only rich countries benefit from economic globalisation.' Assess this view. [16]

Section C: Media

Answer **either** Question 5 **or** Question 6.

- 5 (a) Explain the role of the media in deviance amplification. [9]
 (b) 'The public have no control over media content.' Assess this view. [16]
- 6 (a) Explain the cultural-effects model of media influence. [9]
 (b) 'The differences between the new media and the traditional media have been exaggerated.' Assess this view. [16]

Section D: Religion

Answer **either** Question 7 **or** Question 8.

- 7 (a) Explain the idea that religion is a form of social control. [9]
- (b) 'People are just as religious today as they were in the past.' Assess this view. [16]
- 8 (a) Explain how new religious movements are different from established religious organisations. [9]
- (b) 'Religion is an obstacle to social change.' Assess this view. [16]

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