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2 hours.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

Write your answers in the spaces provided in this question paper.

Answer **all three** questions.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 100.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in questions **1(c)**, **2(e)** and **3(f)**.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

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Question Number	Marks
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1 The social perspective in psychology focuses on the role of other people in the behaviour of individuals and in their perceptions of themselves.

(a) Explain what is meant by each of the following social influence processes.

Conformity

[2]

Self-categorisation

[2]

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Identification

Definition

[1]

Application to aggression

[3]

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2 According to Andy, whose daughter Colette suffers from anorexia nervosa,

“Anorexia is a secret illness that thrives on deception and half truths. As parents you cannot trust anything your daughter says about food and weight. If someone hasn’t witnessed her eating her snack or meal, then she probably hasn’t had it.”

<http://www.b-eat.co.uk/AboutEatingDisorders/SurvivorsStories/Andy>

(a) Colette frequently lied about eating. Write down three other behaviours that might suggest a young person has anorexia nervosa.

1. _____ [1]

2. _____ [1]

3. _____ [1]

(b) Complete the table below to highlight two differences between anorexia nervosa and bulimia nervosa.

One example has been completed for you.

Anorexia nervosa (AN)	Bulimia nervosa (BN)
People with AN are more prone to fasting	People with BN are more prone to bingeing

[4]

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(c) Explain how each of the following socio-economic factors may influence eating disorders.

Media

[2]

Gender

[2]

Social class

[2]

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(d) Discuss how drug treatments may be used to treat bulimia nervosa.

[3]

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- 3 Pawan, aged 38, works as an administrator and lives with his daughter, Aneela, aged 8. He describes his experience of stress below.

“When things get really bad, two or three times a year, I get a horrible racing heartbeat and shoulder pains as I get very tense in my neck and back. I then start to feel permanently anxious. My biggest stress is feeling that I cannot devote enough time to Aneela, mainly because of work.”

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- (a) Use the information in the scenario to identify the two socio-economic factors that are contributing to Pawan’s stress.

1. _____ [1]

2. _____ [1]

- (b) Discuss how the following three socio-economic factors might contribute to stress for other individuals.

Housing and environment

_____ [3]

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Education

[3]

Social exclusion

[3]

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(d) Explain how any one type of drug could alleviate Pawan's stress.

_____ [2]

(e) Explain two advantages and two disadvantages of using drug treatments for stress.

Advantages

1. _____

_____ [2]

2. _____

_____ [2]

Disadvantages

1. _____

_____ [2]

2. _____

_____ [2]

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