

CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL EXAMINATIONS
General Certificate of Education
Advanced Subsidiary Level and Advanced Level

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.

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

Section A

- 1 'Sociological research can and should be based on the methods of the natural sciences.' Discuss. [25]
- 2 Outline and assess the functionalist view that social order is based on consensus and shared values. [25]

Section B

- 3 'The sociologist's theoretical perspective is the main factor influencing his or her choice of research method'. Discuss. [25]
- 4 Compare the advantages **and** limitations of the different types of interview methods used by sociologists. [25]

Section C

- 5 'Social classes are distinguished today more by differences in lifestyle than by differences in income or wealth'. Discuss. [25]
- 6 Identify and account for the pattern of ethnic inequality in a society of your choice. [25]