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Paper 1 Principles and Methods 1

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**1 hour 30 minutes**

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

**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.

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.

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

### Section A: The Sociological Perspective

- 1 Assess the strengths **and** limitations of the functionalist theory of socialisation. [25]
- 2 “Marxist theory no longer has any relevance for understanding modern industrial societies.” Explain and assess this view. [25]

### Section B: Sociological Methods

- 3 “Most types of secondary data are too subjective to be useful in sociological research.” Explain and assess this claim. [25]
- 4 “The values of the researcher greatly influence the findings of their sociological research.” Explain and assess this claim. [25]

### Section C: Social Differentiation and Stratification

- 5 “Economic and cultural divisions between the working class and the middle class are disappearing in modern industrial societies.” Explain and assess this view. [25]
- 6 “Inequality based on gender no longer exists in modern industrial societies.” Explain and assess this claim. [25]