

# **GCE**

# **Sociology**

H580/02: Researching and understanding social inequalities

Advanced GCE

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# **Annotations**

Annotation	Meaning
KU	Sociological or methodological theory.
CON	Sociological or methodological evidence: concepts / statistics / social policy
DEV	Developed Point: fully explained in a relevant way / detailed Q1 Interpretation/drawing conclusion from the data
	a morprotation and ming considerent ment the data
^	Underdeveloped: partially explained, requiring more depth
APP	Application/Interpretation: explicit engagement with the source or context of the question
AFF	Q1 To indicate data taken from the source to support the point
L	Lip service
	Evaluation:
EVAL	Q3 and Q4 for weakness of the method
	Q6 for arguments against the claim
JU	Q3 and Q4: strength of the method
30	Q6 arguments for the claim
U	Unsubstantiated/ undeveloped/ implicit: accurate without explanation/ support
?	Unclear/confused/lacks sense not creditable
REP	Repetition
	Q2 problem cited
Highlight	Q4 in the margin for description of method only AND in the answer for combination of methods
	Q5 area of inequality
(E)	Q6 conclusion
<b>\{\}</b>	Not clearly focused on question set: tangential – sociological but not directly relevant

# MARK SCHEME H580/2 Summer 2019

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	Summarise two patterns or trends shown in the bar graph data in Source A.  AO2: Application Level 4: 4 marks The candidate shows an excellent ability by clearly and accurately summarising two patterns or trends in the data in Source A. Candidates may consider two patterns, two trends or a pattern and a trend. At this level both points should explicitly refer to data in the source.  Level 3: 3 marks The candidate shows a good ability to summarise the data. At this level answers will typically summarise two patterns and/or trends but will only explicitly apply data in relation to one of them.  Level 2: 2 marks The candidate shows a basic ability to interpret the data. Candidates will typically identify two patterns and/or trends but fail to explicitly identify any examples of data or they will clearly identify one pattern or trend and support it with relevant data.	4 AO2 1b	Candidates should summarise patterns (e.g. comparison of regular differences between groups) or trends (changes over time). Candidates who simply read figures off from the graph without actually summarising the information should not be placed above Level 2.  The following are examples of patterns and trends which might be identified by candidates.  From 1993 to 2001 unemployment levels of 16 to 24 year olds fell, declining from just under 18% to around 12%.  From 2004 to 2010 unemployment levels of 16 to 24 year olds increased from just over 12% to nearly 20%.  From 1993 to 2001 unemployment levels of adults between 25 and retirement age fell, declining from just under 9% to just under 4%.  From 2005 to 2010 there was an overall increase in unemployment levels of adults between 25 and retirement age, it increased from just over 3% to around 6%.  In 2010 the rate of unemployment for workers aged 16-24 was just under 20%, more than three times higher than that for 25 year olds to retirement age at around 6%.  Younger workers aged 16-24 have had consistently higher levels of unemployment than older workers throughout the period shown but the difference between the groups increased between 1993 and 2010 with younger workers having around twice the rate of unemployment of older workers in 1993 but over 3 times the rate in 2010.  Any other reasonable interpretation of the data which identifies a pattern or trend should be rewarded provided it is accurate.

Level 1: 1 mark	
The candidate shows a limited ability to	
interpret data, for example by identifying a	
simple pattern or trend or attempting to	
apply some relevant data without explicitly	
explaining what pattern or trend may be	
identified.	
0 marks	
No ability to interpret data shown, e.g. the	
candidate misunderstands the data or	
interprets it entirely inaccurately.	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
Question 2	With reference to <b>Source B</b> , explain <b>two</b> ways in which shared cultural characteristics between researchers and the people they are researching may be helpful when undertaking research. <b>AO1: Knowledge and understanding 2 marks</b> The candidate shows a clear understanding of two ways in which shared cultural characteristics between researchers and the people they are researching may be helpful when undertaking research. <b>1 mark</b> The candidate clearly explains one way or shows a partial understanding of two ways. <b>0 marks</b> No relevant knowledge or understanding.	Marks 6 2 AO1 2a/2b	The best answers are likely to refer to theoretical or conceptual ideas in relation to ways in which shared cultural characteristics between researchers and researched may be helpful when undertaking research. For example:  The need to establish rapport with subjects.  Interpretivists preference for a verstehen or empathetic approach.  Facilitating access to groups of subjects.  Common language facilitating communication (though this may not have been the case with some of the Asian participants).  Facilitating an unobtrusive approach in participant observation.  Examples of data from the source which might be applied.  One of the researchers participated in the predominantly white club as a player throughout the research period and this would have helped him to gain access to players in his club and possibly others.  The researchers were white and middle class and this cultural similarity would have helped them establish rapport with players in the white club.  Although the participating researcher was not Asian or Muslim his enthusiasm and understanding of cricket may have helped him to gain rapport with players in the Aylesworth club.
	AO2: Application Level 4: 4 marks The candidate shows an excellent ability to apply evidence with a clear ability to support both ways with material from the Source.	4 AO2 1b	<ul> <li>The fact that the researcher did not drink alcohol was something he had in common with the Muslim players and helped to establish a rapport with them.</li> <li>The researcher was male which may have helped him to establish rapport with subjects who were all male.</li> </ul>
	Level 3: 3 marks The candidate shows a good ability to apply evidence from the Source, for example by showing a clear ability to support one way and some evidence to support a second.		

Level 2: 2 marks  The candidate shows a basic ability to apply evidence from the Source, for example by using evidence to clearly support one of the ways cited or showing some ability to support two ways with evidence	
Level 1: 1 mark  The candidate shows a limited ability to apply evidence from the Source to support at least one way. Reference to the source is likely to be lip service only.	
O marks  No relevant application of material from the Source	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	Identify and explain <b>two</b> problems for sociologists using the data in <b>Source A</b> to study age inequalities in unemployment. <b>AO2: Application Level 4: 4 marks</b> The candidate shows an excellent ability to apply data from <b>Source A</b> in answering the question. There is a clear application of source material in relation to <b>two</b> problems for sociologists using the data in Item A to study age inequalities in unemployment. <b>Level 3: 3 marks</b> The candidate shows a good ability to apply data from <b>Source A</b> in answering the question. There is an attempt to apply the source material in relation to both the identified problems but it is likely to be clearer in relation to one than the other. <b>Level 2: 2 marks</b> The candidate shows a basic ability to apply data from <b>Source A</b> in answering the question. There is a clear application of source material in relation to only one of the problems or a less clear attempt to apply data to both. <b>Level 1: 1 mark</b> The candidate shows a limited ability to apply data from <b>Source A</b> in answering the question. There will be some attempt to	10 4 AO2 1b	<ul> <li>To gain marks for application candidates must make reference to the data in Source A. Candidates who simply evaluate quantitative data in general or official statistics may score marks for evaluation but not for application.</li> <li>Possible problems might include:         <ul> <li>Validity – Some sociologists may question the ILO definition of unemployment e.g. how do we establish that people are actually looking for work.</li> <li>Researcher effects – Some respondents may not give entirely accurate responses, e.g. due to shame about unemployment or concerns that interviewers are associated with checking up on entitlement to benefits.</li> <li>The data only considers 25 years to retirement age as one of the age groups category and this may conceal considerable differences within this group e.g. higher rates of unemployment among older workers.</li> <li>The data is purely quantitative and interpretivists might argue that qualitative data e.g. on how different age groups experience unemployment would be useful as well.</li> <li>Although the data is based on a large-scale survey with a large sample it only samples in tiny minority (0.1%) of the population so may still not be wholly representative.</li> <li>The data only provides a snapshot, showing what percentage of each age group is unemployed at any one time and doesn't provide information on the length of unemployment.</li> <li>Although the data correlates unemployment with age some sociologists might also want to examine how far it is linked to other social characteristics such as gender, social class or ethnicity.</li> <li>The data series only go up to 2010, some sociologists might be interested to look at more recent patterns and trends.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Any other reasonable response should be rewarded.</li> </ul>

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	apply at least one aspect of the data but it	
	will lack clarity or be of marginal relevance.	
	0 marks	
	No relevant application of data.	
	AO3: Analysis and evaluation	6 AO3 1/2
	Level 4: 5–6 marks	
	The candidate shows an excellent ability to	
	evaluate sociologists using the data in	
	Source A to study age inequalities in	
	unemployment by considering two	
	problems. Both points should be clearly	
	developed and supported by methodological	
	concept(s) and/or theory. At the bottom of	
	the level, one is likely to be less developed.	
	Level 3: 4 marks	
	The candidate shows a good ability to	
	evaluate sociologists using the data in	
	Source A to study age inequalities in	
	unemployment by considering two problems	
	one of which will be supported by	
	methodological concept(s) and or theory.	
	The development of the evaluation is likely	
	to be uneven in terms of coverage of the	
	two problems. There should be some	
	specific reference to the study of age	
	inequalities in unemployment.	
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# Level 2: 2-3 marks

The candidate shows a basic ability to evaluate sociologists using the data in **Source A** to study age inequalities in unemployment by considering two problems with a less developed evaluation of both, methodological concept(s) may be undeveloped or implicit. Alternatively the candidate may consider only one relevant problem offering a clear and developed evaluation supported by methodological concept(s) and or theory

## Level 1: 1 mark

The candidate shows a limited ability to evaluate sociologists using the data in **Source A** to study age inequalities in unemployment. Candidates will typically present a less developed evaluation in terms of just one problem.

## 0 marks

No relevant evaluation.

Qu	estio	Answer	Marks	Guidance	
4	*	Using <b>Source B</b> and your wider sociological knowledge, explain and evaluate the use of ethnographic methods for studying the attitudes and behaviour of White British and British Pakistani Muslim cricketers in relation to alcohol consumption.	25	AO1: Knowledge and Understanding Candidates should show an understanding of what is meant by ethnographic methods. They may also make reference to specific data collection techniques used in this study including individual interviews, focus group interviews and participant observation. They may also refer to the concepts of triangulation/methodological pluralism. The best answers may consider how more than one method may be combined in an ethnographic approach.	
		AO1: Knowledge and understanding Level 4: 4–5 marks  The candidate shows an excellent knowledge and understanding of the use of ethnographic methods for studying the attitudes and behaviour of White British and British Pakistani Muslim cricketers in relation to alcohol consumption. The response will use a wide range of accurate methodological theory and concepts. There is a well–developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.	5 AO1 2a/2b	Discussion of the concepts of validity, reliability, representativeness and generalisability in relation to ethnographic methods is also expected. This should relate to consideration of the context and the aspect of inequality and difference under consideration, i.e. the attitudes and behaviour of White British and British Pakistani Muslim cricketers in relation to alcohol consumption.  A detailed understanding of this topic is not expected. The response may also relate the selection or choice of methods to the research aim. Candidates should be rewarded for appropriate application of theoretical perspectives to their discussion e.g. interpretivism and positivism	
		Level 3: 3 marks The candidate shows a good understanding of ethnographic methods in this context. Knowledge will be either wide ranging or detailed. There will be some understanding		AO2: Application Candidates are expected to apply their knowledge and understanding of ethnographic methods and how these might be applied to the study of the attitudes and behaviour of White British and British Pakistani Muslim cricketers in relation to alcohol consumption.	
		of sociological concepts but not fully developed, and possibly some reference to theory. Responses are generally clear and accurate, though may contain some errors. There is a line of reasoning presented with		Candidates are expected to apply material drawn from the Source in answering the question. For example, they might point to the way in which participation by one researcher in one of the clubs allowed access to this social group and permitted a degree of rapport with other	

some structure. The information presented is in the most–part relevant and supported by some evidence.

#### Level 2: 2 marks

The candidate shows a basic understanding of ethnographic methods in this context. The response lacks range and depth and may occasionally be unclear or inaccurate, and contain errors; however, the candidate does establish the basic meaning of ethnographic methods. Knowledge and understanding of concepts may be partial, implicit, inaccurate and undeveloped, or omitted.

The information has some relevance and is presented with limited structure. The information is supported by limited evidence.

#### Level 1: 1 mark

The candidate shows a limited understanding of ethnographic methods. The response lacks range and detail, and shows considerable inaccuracy and lack of clarity; the candidate may simply describe an aspect of the method and/or research methods in general. The information is basic and communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited evidence and the relationship to the evidence may not be clear.

#### 0 marks

No relevant knowledge or understanding.

cricketers. They might also point to the way in which using several methods might allow for a degree of triangulation e.g. hypotheses developed during participant observation, for example about Muslims being torn between two worlds might be followed up in individual or group interviews.

## AO3: Analysis and evaluation

Candidates should discuss the advantages and disadvantages of using ethnographic methods, especially in relation to the concepts of validity, reliability, representativeness and generalisability, and relate this to the context of the question, investigating the attitudes and behaviour of White British and British Pakistani Muslim cricketers in relation to alcohol consumption. Good and excellent responses should not simply list the advantages and disadvantages of the individual methods used in the study but should offer some evaluation of the benefits and problems with a broader ethnographic approach.

In terms of positive evaluation candidates might include:

- Issues of validity using ethnography allows a richer/deeper understanding of subjects' social worlds giving a more valid insight into their social reality.
- Issues of access although a potential problem in ethnographic research this was relatively straightforward as one researcher already had an entrée into the world of cricket as a player himself.
- In-depth interviews and group interviews allow respondents to explain their feelings / meanings more fully overcoming possible problems with only using questionnaires or more structured interviews.
- Interpretivists would favour ethnographic methods as they allow researchers to understand the meanings and subjective attitudes of participants
- Combining ethnographic methods/ triangulation allows for the strengths of one method to compensate for the weaknesses of the

# AO2: Application Level 4: 4–5 marks

The candidate shows an excellent ability to relate the use of ethnographic methods for studying the attitudes and behaviour of White British and British Pakistani Muslim cricketers in relation to alcohol consumption in an explicit way. The material is related to the question.

#### Level 3: 3 marks

The candidate shows a good ability to relate the use of ethnographic methods for studying the attitudes and behaviour of White British and British Pakistani Muslim cricketers in relation to alcohol consumption in a mostly explicit way. The material may be more implicitly related to the question.

#### Level 2: 2 marks

The candidate shows a basic ability to to relate the use of ethnographic methods for studying the attitudes and behaviour of White British and British Pakistani Muslim cricketers in relation to alcohol consumption. Explicit application is likely to be very narrow. The material is related to the question occasionally and mainly implicitly.

other, for example observations can be used to check the validity of statements made in interviews.

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- Ethnographic methods are likely to achieve a higher level of rapport and verstehen because researchers typically develop longer-term and meaningful relationships with the subjects, e.g. via one of the researchers playing cricket with them.
- This type of research creates few ethical problems as subjects have given informed consent and are not likely to suffer harm through the experience of being researched. The fact that pseudonyms were used for the clubs suggests that the researchers were concerned to maintain confidentiality.

In terms of critical points candidates might include:

- Relatively small sample size as only members of two clubs were studied meaning the research was possibly unrepresentative and could not be generalised.
- Issues of reliability Research was conducted by white middle class researchers, other researchers might obtain different results if conducting similar research on a similar group of cricketers.
- The study was relatively time consuming taking over four years to study players in just two clubs.
- Difficulties of analysis. A study over a long period of time using at least three different methods would produce a lot of data which might be difficult to record, analyse and cross-tabulate.
- The research would produce predominantly qualitative data and was based on a small sample, it would therefore be difficult to engage in statistical comparisons, e.g. between white and Asian players which might be advocated by more positivist researchers.
- The direct involvement of at least one researcher as a member of one club and in participant observation might produce a degree of bias and subjectivity which would be criticised by more positivist sociologists seeking a greater degree of objectivity and value freedom.
- As one researcher acknowledges, he had a greater degree of rapport with his white subjects than with the Asian Muslims and latter group

# may have been more reluctant to offer clear and honest answers to Level 1: 1 mark The candidate shows a limited ability to someone who might be perceived to be culturally different. relate the use of ethnographic methods to the context in the research. The material is Any other relevant points should be rewarded. only implicitly related to the question and mainly irrelevant or of marginal relevance. 0 marks No relevant sociological application. AO3: Analysis and evaluation Level 4: 12-15 marks The candidate shows an excellent ability to evaluate and analyse the usefulness of ethnographic methods for studying the attitudes and behaviour of White British and British Pakistani Muslim cricketers in relation to alcohol consumption. Responses will include a wide range of explicit and relevant points evaluating such an approach and may make some comparison with other 15 AO3 methodologies. There will be a discussion of 1/2/3 ethnographic methods in relation to the purpose of the research. The evaluation will be sustained, balanced and the discussion will be related to the use of ethnographic research methods in Source B. At the bottom of the level there will be a slightly narrower range of points and points will be less fully developed. The candidate may research a critical and reasoned conclusion. Level 3: 8-11 marks

The candidate shows a good ability to evaluate and analyse the usefulness of

ethnographic methods for studying the attitudes and behaviour of White British and British Pakistani Muslim cricketers in relation to alcohol consumption. Responses will include a wide range or depth of explicit and relevant evaluative points and may make some comparison with other methodologies. Responses will raise a few clear points of evaluation but may leave these only partially developed. At the bottom of the level the range of points will be narrow and less developed. The candidate may reach a critical but brief conclusion.

#### Level 2: 4-7 marks

The candidate shows a basic ability to evaluate and analyse the usefulness of ethnographic methods. Responses are likely to offer a few generalised, evaluative points with little supporting evidence or argument. If present, different methodological approaches are likely to be juxtaposed simply and/or implicitly. At the bottom of the level there should be at least two evaluative points but these are likely to be under-developed and unrelated to the context. If present, the conclusion is likely to be summative.

implicit. There is unlikely to be a conclusion.  O marks  No relevant sociological evaluation or	Level 1: 1–3 marks  The candidate shows a limited ability to evaluate and analyse the usefulness of ethnographic methods. Responses should include at least one point of evaluation, however, this is likely to be minimal, unbalanced, assertive, one-sided or tangential to the main issue. Evaluation is	

Question	Answer Ma	Marks	Guidance	
5 *	Outline ways in which a person's life chances in the UK today may be influenced by their ethnicity.  AO1: Knowledge and understanding Level 4: 10–12 marks The candidate shows an excellent knowledge and understanding of ways in which a person's life chances in the UK today may be influenced by their ethnicity. The response demonstrates a wide range and depth of sociological evidence, theories and/or concepts.; the material is generally accurate. There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.  Level 3: 7–9 marks The candidate shows a good knowledge and understanding of ways in which a person's life chances in the UK today may be influenced by their ethnicity. The response shows knowledge and understanding which is either wide-ranging or detailed. There will be some understanding of sociological evidence, theories and/or concepts but not fully developed and more superficial. Responses are generally clear and accurate, though may contain some errors. There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is in	12 AO1 1a/1b	Candidates should show an understanding of the concepts of life chances and ethnicity. Better answers may show understanding of differences not just between White British and minorities in general but also of diversity between minority ethnic groups, e.g. discussion of evidence that some minorities have better life chances than White British in certain areas. Some candidates may also consider how gender may also affect life chances of members of minority ethnic groups.  There are a wide range of possible ways to respond to this question and candidates are only expected to explore some of these.  Possible areas of knowledge might include:  Life chances in employment e.g. knowledge of patterns in relation to proportions of different ethnic groups unemployed, in higher or lower status/skilled jobs.  Evidence of discrimination in the workplace or other social settings e.g. studies by CRE and EHRC.  Life chances in relation to acquisition of wealth and higher incomes.  Comparison of chances of suffering poverty in different groups.  Chances of undergoing upward social mobility.  Chances of high attainment in education eg evidence about exam results/ qualifications, access to higher education.  Chances of becoming involved in the criminal justice system either as an offender/receiving a criminal record or as a victim of crime.  Negative representations of ethnic minorities in mass media leading to stereotyping and discrimination affecting life chances.  Possible studies/data which might be applied include:  ONS statistical data on work and employment.  Studies of workplace discrimination eg Wood et al 2009.  Evidence of ethnic penalty in work eg Heath and Wu 2005, Joseph Rowntree Foundation 2007, Battu and Sloane 2004.	

the most–part relevant and supported by some evidence.

#### Level 2: 4-6 marks

The candidate shows a basic knowledge and understanding of at least one way in which a person's life chances in the UK today may be influenced by their ethnicity. The response lacks depth and range, and may occasionally be confused or inaccurate. Knowledge and understanding of evidence, theories and concepts may be partial, inaccurate, implicit and undeveloped, or omitted. The information has some relevance and is presented with some degree of structure. The information is supported by some evidence.

#### Level 1: 1-3 marks

The candidate shows limited knowledge and understanding of ways way in which a person's life chances in the UK today may be influenced by their ethnicity. The response is narrow and un-developed, and shows considerable inaccuracy and lack of clarity. The information is limited and communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited evidence and the relationship to the evidence may not be clear.

#### 0 marks

No relevant knowledge or Understanding

- Rowlingson and McKay's study of ethnicity and wealth inequality.
- JRF report on Poverty and Ethnicity in the UK 2007 and Runnymede Report Ready for Retirement? 2010.
- Platt 2005 study of ethnicity and social mobility.
- Candidates may also apply material they have studied in relation to other topics such as education, crime and deviance, mass media etc.

Theoretical responses will only be credited if focusing on the question, i.e. evidence of ethnicity affecting life chances However, the following are ways in which theory might be applied to this question and should be rewarded in terms of how well they have been applied:

- Functionalist approaches, e.g. Patterson minorities have poorer life chances because they have not yet managed to assimilate to mainstream culture.
- Weberian approaches, e.g. Barron and Norris minorities have poorer life chances as they find it difficult to access the primary sector of the labour market.
- Rex and Tomlinson minorities have poorer chances in housing/jobs/education as they face discrimination and are trapped in an underclass.

AO2: Application Level 4: 7–8 marks	
The candidate shows an excellent ability	8 AO 2 1a
to apply sociological knowledge. A wide	
range of material is explicitly and	
consistently related to the question.	
Level 3: 5–6 marks	
The candidate shows a good ability to	
apply sociological knowledge. A range of	
material is explicitly related to the	
question but This may not be consistently	
applied.	
Level 2: 3–4 marks	
The candidate shows a basic ability to	
apply sociological knowledge. The material	
is related to the question occasionally and	
mainly implicitly.	
Level 1: 1–2 marks	
The candidate shows a limited ability to	
apply sociological knowledge. The	
material is only implicitly related to the	
question and mainly irrelevant or of	
marginal relevance.	
0 marks	
No relevant sociological application.	

Qu	estio	on Answer	Marks	Guidance
6	*	Assess the view that women in UK society today are disadvantaged due to both capitalism and patriarchy.  AO1: Knowledge and understanding Level 4: 13–16 marks	40 16 AO1	Candidates should show an understanding of the statement in the question and associated concepts of capitalism and patriarchy. Candidates should show an understanding of how the view is associated with Marxist and feminist approaches, especially Marxist feminism.  Candidates are likely to apply evidence relating to gender inequalities in the
		The candidate shows an excellent knowledge and understanding of the view.  The response demonstrates knowledge of a wide range of sociological material in depth, including clear understanding of sociological concepts and theory; the material is	1 a/1b	workplace but should be rewarded for consideration of other spheres of UK society, e.g. families, mass media etc. Better answers may also consider the extent to which women in different social groups e.g. social classes, ethnic groups or age groups are disadvantaged in different ways or for different reasons.
		generally accurate. At the bottom of the level material may be slightly less developed in terms of either breadth or depth. There is a well–developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The		Some candidates may offer a largely theoretical response for example comparing different approaches. Other candidates may focus more on empirical studies and data from contemporary British society and use these to evaluate the view.
		information presented is relevant and substantiated.		<ul> <li>Candidates might apply the following in support of the statement:</li> <li>Ansley (women as takers of shit). Could also be linked to studies of domestic violence eg Johnson on patriarchal terrorism or Stanko.</li> </ul>
		Level 3: 9–12 marks The candidate shows a good knowledge and		<ul> <li>Feeley (role of women in socialising children in capitalist ideology)</li> <li>Benston (role of women in supporting capitalism through unpaid domestic labour)</li> </ul>
		understanding of the view. The response shows knowledge and understanding which is either range or depth. There will be some		<ul> <li>Bruegel (women as a reserve army of labour)</li> <li>Dalla Costa and James (value to capitalism of unpaid domestic labour)</li> </ul>
		understanding of sociological evidence, theory and/or concepts but more superficial and under-developed. Responses are		<ul> <li>Millett (control of women through patriarchy)</li> <li>Walby (structures of patriarchy)</li> <li>Delphy and Leonard (family as site of women's oppression, familiar</li> </ul>
		generally clear and accurate, though may contain some errors. There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure.		<ul> <li>exploitation)</li> <li>Differences in gender socialisation (eg Oakley)</li> <li>Statistical evidence on lower pay and exclusion of women from top jobs</li> </ul>
		The information presented is in the most– part relevant and supported by some		which can be seen as benefitting both capitalism and patriarchy. Could be linked to concepts such as glass ceiling/ occupational segregation

evidence.

#### Level 2: 5-8 marks

The candidate shows a basic knowledge and understanding of the view. The response lacks range and depth, and may occasionally be unclear or inaccurate, and contain errors. Knowledge and understanding of concepts may be partial, inaccurate and undeveloped or omitted. There may be reliance on anecdotal examples. The information has some relevance and is presented with limited structure. The information is supported by limited evidence.

#### Level 1: 1-4 marks

The candidate shows a limited knowledge and understanding of the view. The response lacks range and depth, and shows considerable inaccuracy and lack of clarity; the candidate may simply describe an aspect of inequality in general. There is likely to be a tendency towards common sense knowledge. The information is basic and communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited evidence and the relationship to the evidence may not be clear.

#### 0 marks

No relevant sociological knowledge or understanding.

## **AO2: Application**

- Research demonstrating women's higher risks of poverty are related to capitalism and patriarchy.
- Evidence of gender differences in social mobility and forms of social closure (eg Li and Devine, EHRC).
- Evidence concerning family life e.g. studies of domestic labour and decision making.

In critical evaluation candidates could apply a variety of theoretical approaches including:

- Weberian theory / dual labour market theory
- Liberal Feminism
- Black feminism
- Functionalism / human capital theory eg Parsons, Rastogi
- Hakim / preference theory
- New Right eg Schlafly or other biological determinist approaches
- Intersectionality theory (importance of social class, ethnicity and other forms of inequality intersecting with gender)
- Postmodernism
- Some candidates may also draw on empirical evidence to question the
  extent to which women are actually disadvantaged eg advances in the
  workplace and education, evidence that men are now disadvantaged eg
  in education or health.

In critical evaluation candidates may question the view in different ways

- By questioning whether both capitalism and patriarchy are responsible for gender inequalities or whether sociologists should emphasise one more than the other.
- By considering alternative explanations of gender inequality e.g. the workings of the labour market, women's lack of social capital, biological differences etc.
- By questioning the extent to which women are disadvantaged e.g. functionalist ideas of women being different but equal or evidence about male disadvantage.

AO3: Analysis and evaluation	16 AO3 1/2/3
No relevant sociological application.	
0 marks	
and mainly irrelevant or of marginal relevance.	
material is only implicitly related to the view	
Candidates show a limited ability to apply sociological knowledge to the question. The	
Level 1: 1–2 marks	
and mainly implicitly.	
material is related to the view occasionally	
sociological knowledge to the question and the answer will be lacking focus. The	
The candidate shows a basic ability to apply	
Level 2: 3–4 marks	
to the view.	
question. Some material is explicitly related	
The candidate shows a good ability to apply sociological knowledge and evidence to the	
Level 3: 5–6 marks	
link material to it in a number of places	
reference to the view in the question and	
question. The candidate will make explicit	
is explicitly and consistently related to the	
both for and against the view. The material	
The candidate shows an excellent ability to apply sociological knowledge and evidence	8 AO2 1a
Level 4: 7–8 marks	0.402.4

#### Level 4: 13-16 marks

Candidates show an excellent ability to evaluate and analyse the view. Responses will include a wide range of sustained and explicit evaluative arguments with a reflective tone throughout. There will be a discussion of different theoretical approaches. At the top of the level answers will reach a conclusion and will refer to both patriarchy and capitalism. At the bottom of the level the evaluation may be lacking depth and/or detail at times. At the bottom of the level the evaluation may be slightly less developed.

#### Level 3: 9-12 marks

Candidates show a good ability to evaluate and analyse the view. Responses will demonstrate range or depth of evaluation Different theoretical approaches are likely to be compared briefly. The candidate may reach a brief conclusion.

#### Level 2: 5-8 marks

Candidates show a basic ability to evaluate and analyse the view. The response lacks range and depth. Responses are likely to offer a few generalised, evaluative points with little supporting evidence or argument. If present, sociological evidence is likely to be juxtaposed simply and implicitly. If present, the conclusion is likely to be summative rather than evaluative.

#### Level 1: 1-4 marks

Candidates show a limited ability to evaluate and the view. Evaluation is implicit, minimal, unbalanced, assertive, inaccurate or tangential to the main issue. There is unlikely to be a conclusion.			
<b>0 marks</b> No relevant sociological evaluation or analysis			

APPENDIX 1
Assessment Objectives (AO) Grid

# (\* includes quality of extended responses

Question	AO1	AO2	AO3	Total
1		4		4
2	2	4		6
2	2	4		0
3		4	6	10
4	5	5	15	25
5	12	8		20
6	16	8	16	40
Totals	35	33	37	105

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