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SOCIOLOGY

Paper 3 Crime and Deviance with Theory and Methods

Tuesday 11 June 2024 | Afternoon | Time allowed: 2 hours

Materials
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- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
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  - use good English
  - organise information clearly
  - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

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Crime and Deviance

Answer **all** questions.

0 1 Outline **two** reasons why punishment may **not** be effective in controlling crime.

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0 2 Outline **three** reasons for ethnic differences in patterns of crime.

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0 3 Read **Item A** below and answer the question that follows.

Item A

Informal social control involves restricting people to their role expectations. Formal social control includes the criminal justice system deciding on punishments for those who break the law.

Social control may explain gender differences in patterns of crime.

Applying material from **Item A**, analyse **two** ways that social control may explain gender differences in patterns of crime.

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0 4 Read **Item B** below and answer the question that follows.

Item B

Realists see crime as a real and growing problem for society and highlight the damage crime causes to communities. Left realists argue that the causes of crime are structural and that an unequal society produces feelings of relative deprivation and marginalisation. They argue that one way to tackle crime is to reduce inequalities.

However, right realists take the view that crime is caused by rationally self-interested individuals who choose to commit crime. Crime can be reduced by increasing the risks of committing crime.

Applying material from **Item B** and your knowledge, evaluate the contributions of realist explanations of crime.

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Theory and Methods

0 5 Outline and explain **two** reasons why some sociologists choose to use official statistics in their research.

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0 6 Read **Item C** below and answer the question that follows.

Item C

Positivists argue that Sociology can be regarded as scientific. They argue that society should be studied using the principles and procedures of the natural sciences. They prefer the use of scientific methods to study people and look for cause and effect relationships in helping to make predictions about human behaviour.

However, others argue that scientific methods are not always suitable for studying human behaviour because people have consciousness and free will. There is also disagreement about how science should be defined.

Applying material from **Item C** and your knowledge, evaluate the extent to which Sociology can be regarded as scientific.

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