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A-level SOCIOLOGY

Paper 1 Education with Theory and Methods

Wednesday 22 May 2019

Morning

Time allowed: 2 hours

Materials

You will need no other materials.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- Questions carrying 10 marks or more should be answered in continuous prose. In these questions you will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

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Education

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Outline **two** criticisms of schools selecting pupils by ability.

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Methods in Context

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0 5 Read **Item C** below and answer the question that follows.

Item C

Investigating the role of parents in pupils’ achievement

Sociological research has shown how much parents can contribute, materially and culturally, to their children’s achievement in education. For example, parents can support their children by having regular contact with schools and teachers, and by helping them with their homework. However, parents’ own education and their attitudes to school may affect their ability or willingness to help.

One way of studying the role of parents in their children’s achievement is to use written questionnaires. One advantage of these is that they can be completed outside the school setting. However, operationalising concepts in questionnaires can be difficult. Furthermore, for a variety of reasons, some questionnaires may not be returned.

Applying material from **Item C** and your knowledge of research methods, evaluate the strengths and limitations of using written questionnaires to investigate the role of parents in their children’s achievement in school.

[20 marks]

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