A-level
SOCIOLOGY
(7192/3)
Paper 3 Crime and Deviance with Theory and Methods

Materials
For this paper you will need no other materials.

Instructions
• Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
• Fill in the boxes at the bottom 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.

Please write clearly, in block capitals, to allow character computer recognition.

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Answer all questions.

Crime and Deviance

01. Outline **two** ways in which the media give a distorted view of crime. [4 marks]

02. Outline **three** reasons why females may be less likely than males to commit crimes. [6 marks]
Item A

Situational crime prevention strategies aim to reduce the opportunity for crime. These strategies assume that the criminal makes a rational decision to commit crime based on perceived risks and benefits. One prevention strategy is to install a burglar alarm to reduce the risk of being burgled.

Applying material from Item A, analyse two reasons why situational crime prevention strategies may not be effective in reducing crime.

[10 marks]

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

**Item B**

Some functionalist sociologists argue that crime and deviance are caused by the inability of some people to gain the rewards of society, for example because of educational underachievement. Those members of society whose opportunities are blocked cannot achieve the goals of society by socially approved means.

Applying material from **Item B** and your knowledge, evaluate the usefulness of functionalist approaches in understanding crime and deviance.

[30 marks]
Outline and explain **two** advantages of using official statistics in sociological research.  

[10 marks]
Turn over for the next question
Read Item C below and answer the question that follows.

Item C

Marxists see society as based on conflict between social classes. Those who own the means of production are able to exploit those who do not and are also able to impose their views on society.

However, different Marxists have different views about the nature of capitalist society and about how social change occurs.

Applying material from Item C and your knowledge, evaluate the usefulness of Marxist approaches in understanding society.

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