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SOCIOLOGY – Component 2
Understanding Social Structures

1 hour 45 minutes

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Question	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
1.	4	
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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Do not use gel pen or correction fluid.
 Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces at the top of this page.
 Answer **all** questions.
 Write your answers in the spaces provided in this booklet. If you run out of space, use the additional page(s) at the back of the booklet, taking care to number the question(s) correctly.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.
 Credit will be given for the use of sociological concepts, theories and evidence.



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Answer **all** questions.

1. Use the words in the box below to fill in the spaces in the statements that follow.

role allocation	Charles Murray	exploitation
identity	Fiona Devine	affluent worker

(a) A term which means that one group is taking advantage of another group in society. [1]

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(b) A term to describe our sense of who we are. [1]

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(c) A term which means the way that jobs are given out in society. [1]

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(d) A New Right sociologist. [1]

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2. Look at the following information and answer the questions that follow.

The UK has a monarchy where there is a king or queen. The table below shows the percentage (%) of people of different ages, between the years 1994 and 2021, who thought it very important for Britain to have a monarchy.

UK attitudes towards the monarchy by age, 1994–2021

	Age group		
	18–34	35–54	55+
1994	21	29	45
2000	19	26	45
2005	35	36	51
2011	35	36	51
2015	32	37	50
2021	14	27	44

Adapted from British Social Attitudes Survey, National Centre for Social Research, 2022.

- (a) Identify the age group with the highest percentage in 2021. [1]

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- (b) Identify the group with the largest decrease in percentage between 1994 and 2021. [1]

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(c) Describe **two** patterns or trends shown in the table, supporting your answer with reference to the statistics in the table.

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4. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

Citizens Advice describe age **discrimination** as where you are treated unfairly because of your age or the age group you are part of. Age is a protected characteristic under the Equality Act 2010. It is unlawful to discriminate against someone because of how old they look or because of a person they are with, such as a parent, partner, child or friend.

Adapted from citizensadvice.org.uk

(a) Explain what is meant by **discrimination**. [2]

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(b) Explain **two** ways in which the media may present younger people. [4]

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(c) Explain **one** stereotype that may affect older people.

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5. (a) Explain, with examples, what is meant by status.

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(b) Describe **two** reasons why some people have authority over others.

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7. In 2022, Crisis UK, a homelessness charity, predicted that homelessness will continue to rise in the next 20 years. You have been asked to carry out sociological research on the reasons why people become homeless.

(a) Identify a suitable research method that could be used. [1]

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(b) Explain **two** practical problems with research into homelessness. [4]

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(c) Explain and evaluate the use of your chosen research method to study homelessness. [6]

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