



GCE A LEVEL

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TUESDAY, 12 OCTOBER 2021 – MORNING

SOCIOLOGY – A level component 2
Methods of Sociological Enquiry

1 hour 45 minutes

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

A WJEC pink 16-page answer booklet.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer **all** questions.

Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Do not use pencil or gel pen. Do not use correction fluid.

Write your answers in the separate answer booklet provided, following the instructions on the front of the answer booklet.

Use both sides of the paper. Write only within the white areas of the booklet.

Write the question number in the two boxes in the left hand margin at the start of each answer

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Leave at least two line spaces between each answer.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark available is 60.

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

You are advised to divide your time accordingly.

Answer all questions.

The Crime Survey for England and Wales

The Crime Survey for England and Wales has measured crime since 1981. Used alongside police recorded crime data it is a valuable source of information for the government about the extent and nature of crime in England and Wales.

The survey asks members of the public about their experiences of crime over the last 12 months. In this way the survey records all types of crimes, including those crimes that may not have been reported to the police. It is useful to collect data from people who have experienced crime and also those who have not experienced any crime, to obtain a more valid picture of crime.

In 2019/20 around 50 000 households across England and Wales will have been invited to participate in the survey. In previous years three quarters of households invited to take part agreed to participate. This cooperation from the public means that the survey provides information needed by the government to make important decisions about policies related to crime and justice.

Adapted from: <https://crimesurvey.co.uk/en/HomeReadMore.html>

Answer each part of the following questions.

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- Using material from the item and sociological knowledge, explain what is meant by the term valid. [5]
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- Explain
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- reason why the researchers decided to survey 50 000 households. [5]
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- Using material from the item and sociological knowledge, explain the strengths and weaknesses of using quantitative methods in sociological research. [20]
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- As an A Level Sociology student you have been asked to design a research project to collect data on attitudes towards smoking use amongst a sample of people in your area.
- Describe each stage of your research design, explaining the reasons for your choices at each stage.
 - Discuss some of the problems that may occur and their impact on the quality of data collected. [30]

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