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You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions in total:
  - Section A: answer Question 1.
  - Section B: answer **either** Question 2 **or** Question 3.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].

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Section A

Answer Question 1.

1 Socialisation is the process by which we learn appropriate social behaviour. This process is reinforced through sanctions and rewards that encourage the individual to conform to *social roles*, norms and values. Sociologists argue that human behaviour is influenced by nurture rather than nature. What they mean is that socialisation, rather than biological instinct, is the main factor influencing human behaviour.

The functionalist perspective views socialisation as a one-way process through which people internalise values and learn to follow the norms of society. Sociologists who favour the interactionist approach disagree with this view. They argue that learning to be a competent social actor is more complex than functionalists suggest, and that this process takes place primarily through interaction with others.

(a) What is meant by the term *social roles*? [2]

(b) Describe **two** examples of sanctions that encourage people to follow the norms of society. [4]

(c) Explain why sociologists argue that human behaviour is influenced by nurture rather than nature. [8]

(d) Assess the view that socialisation is a one-way process. [11]

Section B

Answer **either** Question 2 **or** Question 3.

2 Explain and assess the view that quantitative data provides a better understanding of society than qualitative data. [25]

3 'There is more value consensus in society than conflict theories recognise.' Explain and assess this view. [25]

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