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# INTERNATIONAL AS SOCIOLOGY

## Unit 1 Introducing Sociology

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Specimen paper

07:00 GMT

Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

### **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.
- If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
- Do all rough work in this answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

### **Information**

- The marks for each question are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 60.

**Section A****Families**

Answer **all** questions in this section.

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Define what is meant by 'nuclear family'.

**[2 marks]**

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Outline **one** reason for an increase in beanpole families.

**[2 marks]**

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**Turn over for the next question**

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Identify and briefly explain **two** ways in which changes in gender roles may influence family life.

**[4 marks]**

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Identify and briefly explain **two** ways in which migration may affect family structures.

**[4 marks]**

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Explain the Marxist view on the role of the family in contemporary society.

**[8 marks]**

[illegible]

In your answer, use examples drawn from your society or any society you know about.

[illegible]





**Section B****Research methods****0 7**

Define what is meant by 'official statistics'.

**[2 marks]**

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Define what is meant by 'sampling population' in sociological research.

**2 marks]**

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**Turn over for the next question**

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Identify and explain briefly **two** reasons why sociologists use samples in their research.  
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Identify and explain briefly **two** disadvantages of mailing questionnaires to potential research subjects.

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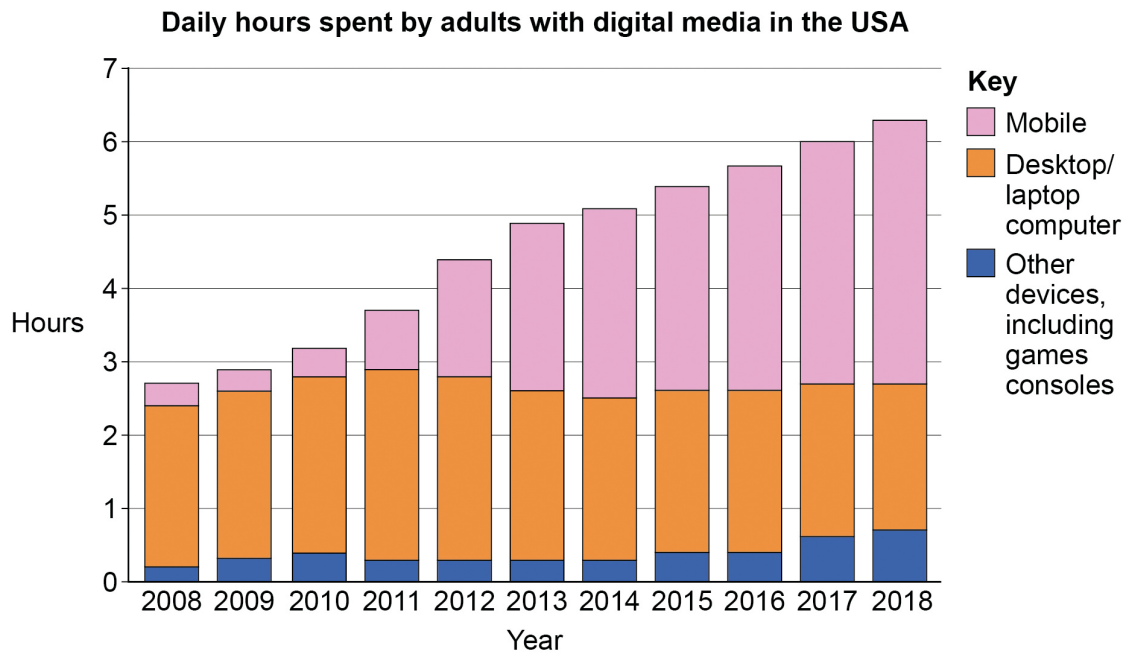
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Describe **one** pattern or trend shown in **Item 1**.**[2 marks]**


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Suggest **one** reason for the pattern or trend you have identified.**[2 marks]**


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**1 1 . 3** Identify **one** limitation of the data in **Item 1**.

**[2 marks]**

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**1 1 . 4** Suggest **one** reason for this limitation.

**[2 marks]**

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### END OF QUESTIONS

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