

Answer **two** questions, each from a different section.

Section A: The Sociological Perspective

- 1 “Sociological research can and should be based on the methods of the natural sciences.” Explain and assess this view. [25]
- 2 “The individual has little control over the social forces that shape his or her life.” Explain and assess this view. [25]

Section B: Sociological Methods

- 3 Assess the strengths **and** limitations of using secondary data in sociological research. [25]
- 4 “Participant observation studies have little value in sociological research because they are too subjective.” Explain and assess this claim. [25]

Section C: Social Differentiation and Stratification

- 5 “Ownership of property is still the main source of economic and political power in modern societies.” Explain and assess this claim. [25]
- 6 Assess sociological explanations for the existence of racial discrimination in modern industrial societies. [25]

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