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# SOCIOLOGY

Paper 1 Education with Methods in Context

Tuesday 15 May 2018

Morning

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 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.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

## Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 60.
- Questions carrying 10 marks or more should be answered in continuous prose. In these questions you will be marked on your ability to:
  - use good English
  - organise information clearly
  - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

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Define the term 'social solidarity'.

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Using **one** example, briefly explain how boys' behaviour in school may make it difficult for them to do well in the education system.

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Outline **three** examples of how the education system could be seen as fair to everyone.

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Outline and explain **two** ways in which social class may affect subject choice.

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### Methods in Context

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Read **Item B** below and answer the question that follows.

#### Item B

#### Investigating how successful a school is

The success of a school can be judged in a number of ways. League tables focus on exam results and researchers can make comparisons between schools on that basis. There are a number of other statistics that schools produce that allow judgements to be made. School success may also be about things such as tolerance, a sense of belonging and community, or indeed the happiness of pupils.

Sociologists may use official statistics to investigate how successful a school is. This method allows the researcher to see trends and patterns over a number of years. Official statistics also enable a comparison to be made between schools. However, official statistics on a school only produce quantitative data, which may not capture fully the real experiences of life in a school.

Applying material from **Item B** and your knowledge of research methods, evaluate the strengths and limitations of using official statistics to investigate how successful a school is.

**[20 marks]**

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