

MATRICULATION AND SECONDARY EDUCATION CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS BOARD

INTERMEDIATE MATRICULATION LEVEL 2018 FIRST SESSION

 SUBJECT:
 Sociology

 DATE:
 25th May 2018

 TIME:
 4:00 p.m. to 7:05 p.m.

Answer **THREE** questions in total.

Answer question 1 (compulsory) and any other TWO questions. Questions carry equal marks.

Compulsory Question

1. (a) Very briefly describe what is meant by the term 'culture'.	(6))
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- (b) Briefly discuss why sociologists argue that identity is socially constructed. (10)
- (c) List **THREE** types of identity. (3)
- (d) What is meant by the term 'hegemonic gender identity'? (6)
- (e) Describe how living in a media-saturated society impacts on an individual's identity. (8)

(Total: 33 marks)

Answer TWO of the following questions.

- 2. Why do feminist sociologists consider the traditional nuclear family as being patriarchal? (33)
- 3. Describe and briefly compare the Functionalist and Marxist perspectives on religion. (33)
- 4. In what ways is the media an influential aspect of contemporary societies? Refer to sociological theories in your answer. (33)
- 5. Explain what Esping-Anderson meant by the 'three worlds of welfare'. (33)