

Sociology exam questions

(one question to be answered - a third of the ASS1 paper)

1996

- 1 What is deviance?
- 2 Why do *either* ethnic *or* gender differences persist?
- 3 How open is British society?
- 4 What determines the structure of the family?
- 5 'Health is a medical, not a social, problem.' Discuss.

1997

- 1 Does class matter?
- 2 Do we need sociology to understand *either* health *or* deviance?
- 3 Are ethnic conflicts simply manifestations of prejudice?
- 4 What determines gender-based inequalities?
- 5 "Social work is a professional activity." (BASW) Is this a sociologically interesting assertion?

1999

1. How stable are current gender or racial inequalities?
2. Does it matter whether social work is a profession?
3. What evidence would you use to determine whether Britain was a meritocracy?
4. What has sociology contributed to our understanding of the family?
5. What is deviance?

2000

1. What do you consider to be the major dimension of inequality in British society?
2. Do we need sociology to understand health?
3. Why do gender differences persist?
4. Can sociologists explain deviance?
5. Does sociology help us understand social work as an occupation?

2001



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"British social institutions and social structure. The distribution of life chances in relation to education, social mobility, and employment opportunities. The significance of class, race, age, and gender. The character, methods, and limitations of empirical sociological enquiry. The meaning of community, theories of deviance, and the nature of bureaucracies and the professions."

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