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Social and cultural anthropology

Higher level

Paper 2

5 May 2023

Zone A afternoon | **Zone B** morning | **Zone C** morning

2 hours 30 minutes

Instructions to candidates

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Section A: answer the question.
- Section B: answer two questions.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is **[45 marks]**.

Section A

Answer the question.

1. With reference to ethnographic material from **one** area of inquiry you have studied, discuss how culture **or** power **or** social relations helps you to understand **one** of the following real-world issues that is grounded in a contemporary example:
 - globalization
 - inequality
 - technology
 - sustainability
 - violence.

[15]

Section B

Answer **two** questions from the three remaining areas of inquiry you have studied. Each question must be from a **different** area of inquiry. You must use specific and clearly identified ethnographic illustrations. Each question is worth [15 marks].

Belonging

2. Compare and contrast change in relation to **either** identity **or** family with reference to **two** societies that you have studied.
3. Discuss **either** social relations **or** culture in relation to **one** of the following:
 - kinship
 - ethnicity/race
 - “imagined community”
 - the study of emotions.

Classifying the world

4. Evaluate whether symbolism may affect **either** boundaries **or** morality.
5. Examine **either** social relations **or** belief and knowledge in relation to **one** of the following:
 - sacred/profane
 - socialization/enculturation/acclturation
 - liminality
 - marginality.

Communication, expression and technology

6. Discuss change in relation to **either** commodification **or** hybridity.
7. Examine the role of **either** power **or** globalization in relation to **one** of the following:
 - technology
 - transnationalism
 - political discourse
 - communication in global times.

Conflict

8. Compare and contrast power in relation to **either** hegemony **or** resistance in **two** societies that you have studied.
9. To what extent is society affected by **one** of the following?
 - conflict
 - consensus
 - the state
 - systems of inequality

Development

10. Examine the role of **either** materiality **or** change in relation to development.
11. Discuss belief and knowledge in relation to **one** of the following:
 - modernization
 - sustainability
 - poverty and wealth
 - development and health.

Health, illness and healing

12. To what extent is symbolism involved in **either** healing practice **or** biomedicine?
13. Evaluate the role of **either** power **or** belief and knowledge in relation to **one** of the following:
 - illness
 - suffering
 - biomedicine, medicalization and social control
 - plural medical systems.

Movement, time and space

14. Examine the role of **either** culture **or** social relations in relation to exclusion.
15. Discuss symbolism in relation to **one** of the following:
 - globalization
 - inclusion
 - social construction of space and boundaries
 - the future.

Production, exchange and consumption

16. Discuss identity in relation to **either** consumption **or** production.
17. To what extent is culture affected by **one** of the following?
 - capitalism
 - colonialism
 - work and labour
 - systems of exchange

The body

18. Compare and contrast the role of **either** social relations **or** materiality in relation to personhood in **two** societies that you have studied.
 19. Evaluate the role of **either** change **or** identity in relation to **one** of the following:
 - habitus
 - the Other
 - the ritualized body
 - the lived body.
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