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Social and cultural anthropology
Higher level
Paper 2

10 November 2023

Zone A morning | **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** materiality **or** symbolism helps you to understand **one** of the following real-world issues that is grounded in a contemporary example.
 - environment
 - globalization
 - human rights
 - sustainability
 - technology.

[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. Examine change in the family in relation to globalization **or** personhood.
3. Discuss how kinship **or** ideology can be used to support **and/or** resist **one** of the following:
 - community
 - nation-state
 - everyday violence
 - the politics of inclusion/exclusion.

Classifying the world

4. Compare and contrast how symbolism **or** power affects minorities in **two** societies that you have studied.
5. Discuss morality **or** boundaries in relation to **one** of the following:
 - social stratification
 - cosmology
 - purity and pollution
 - socialization/enculturation/acculturation.

Communication, expression and technology

6. To what extent can changes in communication technologies affect social relations **or** identity?
7. Discuss the role of communication **or** globalization in relation to **one** of the following:
 - political discourse
 - media and popular culture
 - commodification
 - performance.

Conflict

8. Examine identity **or** materiality in relation to conflict.
9. Discuss ideology **or** the state in relation to **one** of the following:
 - violence and suffering
 - resistance
 - social control
 - indigenous issues.

Development

10. Compare and contrast how social relations **or** culture are affected by development in **two** societies that you have studied.
11. Discuss modernization **or** neo-colonialism in relation to **one** of the following:
 - poverty and wealth
 - environment
 - development and health
 - conflict.

Health, illness and healing

12. Examine health and/or illness in relation to power **or** belief and knowledge.
13. Discuss inequality **or** suffering in relation to **one** of the following:
 - plural medical systems
 - embodiment
 - healing practice
 - biomedicine, medicalization and social control.

Movement, time and space

14. Compare and contrast society **or** identity in relation to movement in **two** societies that you have studied.
15. Discuss time **or** space in relation to **one** of the following:
 - globalization
 - urban anthropology
 - virtual communities
 - liminality.

Production, exchange and consumption

- 16.** Discuss social relations **or** culture in relation to labour.
- 17.** Examine the role of globalization **or** colonialism in **one** of the following:
- consumption
 - systems of exchange
 - commodification
 - production.

The body

- 18.** Examine the body in relation to change **or** symbolism.
- 19.** Discuss subjectivity **or** the self in relation to **one** of the following:
- modified body
 - commodification
 - the Other
 - ritualized body.
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