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1 hour 45 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions in total, each from a different section.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 70.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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Answer **two** questions in total, each from a different section.

Section A: Globalisation

Either

- 1 'Poverty in developing societies is a result of colonialism.' Evaluate this view. [35]

Or

- 2 'Global migration has only positive consequences for migrant groups.' Evaluate this view. [35]

Section B: Media

Either

- 3 'Media representations negatively stereotype some social groups more than others.' Evaluate this view. [35]

Or

- 4 'Studies show that the media has a direct influence on human behaviour.' Evaluate this view. [35]

Section C: Religion

Either

- 5 'Religion contributes to the inequality experienced by women in society.' Evaluate this view. [35]

Or

- 6 'Religious organisations remain an important influence in society.' Evaluate this view. [35]

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