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**Paper 2:** **Understanding family units For Examination December 2023**

(1 hour 30 minutes)

**INSTRUCTIONS**

* Answer **FIVE** questions in total
* Answer **ALL** questionsin section A
* Answer **ONE** questionin section B
* In section B, answer **EITHER** question 5 **OR** question 6
* It is suggested that you spend no longer than **60** minutes on **section A**
* You should spend at least **30** minutes on **section B**
* 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 60.
* The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ]

**Section A**: Answer **ALL** questions in this section.

1. Describe two purposes served by the family. [4 marks]
2. (a) Explain why some view family diversity as positive for society. [8 marks]

(b) Give one argument against this view based on sociological material. [6 marks]

1. ‘There is now a greater balance in conjugal roles.’

(a) Explain possible reasons for holding this view. [10 marks]

(b) Using sociological material, give one counter argument to this view. [6 marks]

1. Suggest two reasons why divorce in the UK has increased since 1969 [6 marks]

**Section B:** Answer **ONE** question **ONLY** from this section.

1. Evaluate how Marxist theory explains the relationship between capitalism and the family. [20 marks]

1. Evaluate the future utility of the ‘golden age of innocence’ in the social construction of childhood? [20 marks]