

B O A R D O F S T U D I E S
NEW SOUTH WALES

2013

**HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE
EXAMINATION**

Community and Family Studies

General Instructions

- Reading time – 5 minutes
- Working time – 3 hours
- Write using black or blue pen
Black pen is preferred
- Write your Centre Number and
Student Number at the top of
pages 9, 13, 15 and 17

Total marks – 100

Section I Pages 2–18

75 marks

This section has two parts, Part A and Part B

Part A – 20 marks

- Attempt Questions 1–20
- Allow about 35 minutes for this part

Part B – 55 marks

- Attempt Questions 21–28
- Allow about 1 hour and 40 minutes for this part

Section II Pages 19–20

25 marks

- Attempt ONE question from Questions 29–31
- Allow about 45 minutes for this section

Section I

75 marks

Part A – 20 marks

Attempt Questions 1–20

Allow about 35 minutes for this part

Use the multiple-choice answer sheet for Questions 1–20.

- 1 When conducting research, what is the next step after the research proposal has been formulated?
 - (A) Collecting and recording data
 - (B) Analysing and interpreting data
 - (C) Presenting data in tables and graphs
 - (D) Selecting appropriate research methods

- 2 Which of the following is an example of an unpaid carer in an unplanned circumstance?
 - (A) A community health nurse visiting a new mother
 - (B) A wife caring for her husband following an accident
 - (C) A nurse attending to individuals in the emergency ward of a hospital
 - (D) A staff member providing programs for children in a long day care centre

- 3 A chronically ill person is one who
 - (A) experiences acute pain.
 - (B) has a permanent disability.
 - (C) is experiencing biological changes.
 - (D) suffers an illness over an extended period of time.

- 4 What is the main type of assistance provided by carers' support groups?
 - (A) Emotional
 - (B) Employment
 - (C) Financial
 - (D) Housing

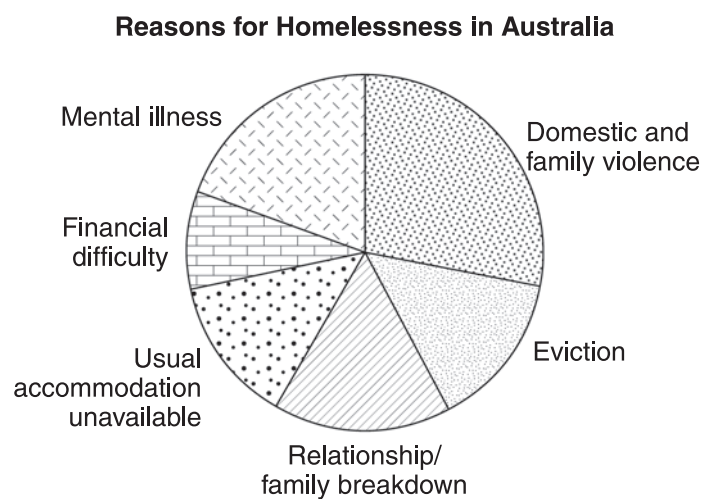
- 5 What is the main advantage of using a questionnaire when conducting research?
- (A) It can provide a large amount of data quickly.
 - (B) It can provide in-depth data over a period of time.
 - (C) It can enable the researcher to watch and record behaviours.
 - (D) It enables existing data to be used to gain background information.

- 6 Jim is a sole parent who is struggling to pay his bills.

Which of the following is most likely to provide him with financial support?

- (A) A welfare agency
- (B) A parenting group
- (C) A childcare service
- (D) A carers' support group

- 7 A student has conducted research on homelessness in Australia and has graphed the results, as shown.



According to the student's graph, what are the most likely reasons for homelessness in Australia?

- (A) Eviction, domestic and family violence
- (B) Domestic and family violence, mental illness
- (C) Relationship/family breakdown, financial difficulty
- (D) Usual accommodation unavailable, financial difficulty

- 8** Which of the following best defines a *hypothesis*?
- (A) An explanation of a topic
 - (B) A set of rules of conduct to be followed in research
 - (C) A problem or statement to be investigated through research
 - (D) A process used to select individuals to participate in research
- 9** A foster parent is best described as a person who
- (A) has legal rights for the child.
 - (B) takes on the role of a temporary parent or carer of a child.
 - (C) becomes pregnant and gives birth to a child for another person.
 - (D) takes on the role of a parent as a result of a marriage or a de facto relationship.
- 10** Which of the following factors are most likely to affect access for a blind person who has obtained employment in the city?
- (A) Legislation and technology
 - (B) Employment history and age of children
 - (C) Availability of transport and location of housing
 - (D) Types of available services and number of children
- 11** Which of the following strategies could best help parents manage their multiple roles?
- (A) Joining a social club
 - (B) Taking on a second job
 - (C) Refinancing their home loan
 - (D) Outsourcing household tasks
- 12** Which combination of factors has the greatest influence on parenting and caring relationships?
- (A) Age and nutrition
 - (B) Culture and censorship
 - (C) Media and special needs
 - (D) Gender and reproductive technology

- 13** An example of a *social definition* describing a specific group is
- (A) a description used by government agencies.
 - (B) a term used to describe how a group interacts in society.
 - (C) a common term used by the community to identify a group.
 - (D) a term used to describe the characteristics and needs specific to a group.
- 14** Which of the following is an ethical consideration when conducting research?
- (A) Identifying and using all available resources
 - (B) Examining the limitations of the data collected
 - (C) Remaining objective throughout the research process
 - (D) Ensuring that the research methods measure what they are supposed to measure
- 15** A group in the community has high level health and housing needs.
- Which support services will best meet the needs of this group?
- (A) Medicare and Centrelink
 - (B) Homecare nursing and schools
 - (C) Out of School Hours and respite care
 - (D) TAFE and Home and Community Care
- 16** Which combination of factors is most significant for the social wellbeing of a family living on a remote rural property?
- (A) Financial support, suitable housing, security and safety
 - (B) Sense of identity, access to education, financial support
 - (C) Access to education, transport availability, suitable housing
 - (D) Transport availability, communication technologies, community networks

- 17** A researcher wants to conduct a detailed investigation of the use of technology by families over time.

Which research methodology would be best suited to this purpose?

- (A) Interview
- (B) Case study
- (C) Observation
- (D) Questionnaire

- 18** An aged couple want to remain in their own home, but are experiencing difficulties in doing so.

Which combination of services would best enable them to remain in their own home?

- (A) Occasional Care and Centrelink
- (B) Senior citizen clubs and transition care program
- (C) Aged Care Assessment Teams and health centres
- (D) Home and Community Care and Meals on Wheels

- 19** A research study is to be conducted into the time spent by students on social media.

Which of the following actions would contribute to the validity of the research?

- (A) The participants have to be identified.
- (B) A case study is conducted in a single school.
- (C) Qualitative data is graphed based on the findings.
- (D) The student participants are to be randomly selected.

Use the following information to answer Question 20.

Data table – Projected family type, 2013–2023

Family type	2013	2015	2017	2019	2021	2023
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Couples with children	2492.5	2435.0	2439.9	2473.1	2546.3	2610.3
Couples only	1918.6	2188.2	2451.8	2706.9	2928.2	3108.1

Acknowledgement: Adapted from the ABS (2004), Household and Family Projections, Australia 2021–2026, Catalogue #3236.0

20 What are the most likely reasons for the projections made in the table?

- (A) Increasing housing costs and cost of living
- (B) Increasing childcare facilities and high cost of childcare
- (C) Increasing age of first time mothers and low unemployment rates
- (D) Increasing divorce rate and higher female participation in the workforce

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Part B – 55 marks

Attempt Questions 21–28

Allow about 1 hour and 40 minutes for this part

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Answer the questions in the spaces provided. These spaces provide guidance for the expected length of response.

Question 21 (6 marks)

Outline the strategies a researcher may use:

- (a) to protect the privacy of the participants in a study. **3**

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- (b) to show respect for subjects of research. **3**

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Question 22 (8 marks)

Analyse the power that ONE group you have studied has within the community.

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Question 23 (7 marks)

(a) How do quantitative and qualitative methods of research differ? **4**

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(b) Describe how quantitative data can be presented. **3**

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Question 24 (8 marks)

Assess the effectiveness of societal structures in meeting the needs of ONE group you have studied.

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Question 25 (6 marks)

One of the responsibilities of parenting and caring is setting limits for children.

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How may the setting of limits be affected by culture and gender differences?

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Question 27 (4 marks)

In what ways can the parent-child relationship be affected by the age of the parent(s)? **4**

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Question 28 (8 marks)

Discuss the legal and social implications of birth technologies.

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Section II

25 marks

Attempt ONE question from Questions 29–31

Allow about 45 minutes for this section

Answer parts (a) and (b) of the question in a writing booklet.

Answer part (c) of the question in a SEPARATE writing booklet.

Extra writing booklets are available.

In your answer you will be assessed on how well you:

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of societal influences on wellbeing relevant to the question
 - apply the skills of critical thinking and analysis
 - communicate ideas and information using relevant examples
 - present a logical and cohesive response
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Question 29 — Family and Societal Interactions (25 marks)

Answer parts (a) and (b) of the question in a writing booklet.

- (a) Describe TWO pieces of legislation related to children. **4**
- (b) Describe the rights of young people as provided by the law. **6**

Answer part (c) of the question in a SEPARATE writing booklet.

- (c) Analyse the impact of superannuation provisions and the Aged Care Act in acknowledging and supporting the aged. **15**

OR

Please turn over

In your answer you will be assessed on how well you:

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of societal influences on wellbeing relevant to the question
 - apply the skills of critical thinking and analysis
 - communicate ideas and information using relevant examples
 - present a logical and cohesive response
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Question 30 — Social Impact of Technology (25 marks)

Answer parts (a) and (b) of the question in a writing booklet.

- (a) Outline how technological developments have led to computer crime. **4**
- (b) Explain why the availability and acceptance of technology varies. **6**

Answer part (c) of the question in a SEPARATE writing booklet.

- (c) Analyse the effects of technology on paid and unpaid work. **15**

OR

Question 31 — Individuals and Work (25 marks)

Answer parts (a) and (b) of the question in a writing booklet.

- (a) Outline the significant influences on how individuals perceive work. **4**
- (b) Describe historical and contemporary views of work. **6**

Answer part (c) of the question in a SEPARATE writing booklet.

- (c) Analyse the impact of workers compensation and WorkCover on efficient work practices. **15**

End of paper