

2015 HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION
Community and Family Studies

Section I (continued)

Part B – 55 marks

Attempt Questions 21–28

Allow about 1 hour and 40 minutes for this part

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

Question 21 (10 marks)

- (a) Explain how sampling contributes to reliable and valid research.

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Sampling contributes to the reliability and validity as the sample size need to be a respectable amount. If the sample size is even and quite large then the reliability will be successful because the more people the more reliable and legit the research will be because there are more opinions and perspectives being recieved therefore reliable and ultimately valid as the information is accurate due to the many reliable opinions being gathered. Sampling contributes to these two aspects because its the respondents that make the research valid & reliable.

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Question 21 (continued)

- (b) Propose strategies which could be used to ensure that individuals involved in a research study are shown respect and privacy.

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One strategy that can be used to ensure individuals are respected and confidential is by ^{respondent} remaining anonymous, when the person is providing their information, they will be more comfortable sharing their opinions knowing that they're anonymous, that way judgements won't be made and the privacy of this person is safe and their responses are respected, which will lead to an accurate and reliable response/data. Another strategy that could be used is the only form of personal detail available is age and gender, keeping their name hidden. With this confidentiality the person is able to share their opinions and the researcher still has gained data of age and gender which can ^{be} useful. Another strategy is to keep the data only for the researchers viewing this will give people peace of mind that others aren't looking at their responses which provides privacy.

End of Question 21

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Question 22 (6 marks)

Examine how access to childcare services affects the wellbeing of first-time parents.

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Access to childcare services affects the wellbeing of first-time parents in an optimistic way. First-time parents are given the relief and stress free comfort of caring for the baby as there are childcare services as well as baby sitting organisations that care for the child whilst the parents are at work or out. This heightens the parents ~~the~~ emotional, social and economic wellbeing as the stress is decreased, the first-time parents can go out with friends and able go back to work and finally gain an income again which overall positively impacts the entire wellbeing of the parents. However, first time parents may find it difficult to let go of their child and leave them at child care as they've grown a great connection and have never dealt with the situation before, which can be a worrying, stressful and sad time for the first time parents to send their child to this service, which can decrease the emotional wellbeing of the parents.

Question 23 (8 marks)

A student plans to conduct a research project on the impact of social media on youth.

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Assess the suitability of using BOTH a questionnaire AND a case study as research methods for this topic.

Using a questionnaire ^{and case study} can be both positive and negative. They both are suitable but ~~may~~ both have positives and negatives. A questionnaire is a great way to get answers in a quick way without too much time being used. They provide simple straight forward answers and many people are happy to answer them because they are anonymous. A questionnaire may not provide adequate answers for the impact on social media on youth. A case study would help support findings in the questionnaire but both together would be time consuming. A case study has positives by being able to observe someone closely for a period of time and being able to get personal long responses on how ~~it~~ social media affects them. The downside is that ~~you~~ the student would have to find a person willing to be used for the case study.

Question 24 (8 marks)

John has just completed university. His mother has recently been involved in a major car accident. John is now required to provide full-time care for his mother.

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Explain the preparations John could undertake as a carer to ensure his mother's wellbeing.

There are many preparations John can undertake as a carer to fulfil the wellbeing of his mother. Firstly, John can purchase any equipment or necessary items that will help his mother. For example, ramps ^{handles, railings} or machines that will help his mother move around and be accessible to the entire house. This preparation will make the life of his mother much more easier and can help to reduce pain that may have been causing her pain, this will increase her wellbeing emotionally and physically as the mother will be able to get around the house quicker and there is equipment altered in the house to make her safe in the home, which will give her comfort and sense of safety, therefore increasing emotional wellbeing. John has completed uni, he has the knowledge and will know how to care for his mother, preparations such as preparing her medicine or antibiotics, making sure that they are taken. Also the preparation ~~can~~ of financial services through NSW careers can provide financial support to help with funding of the mother making sure she is cared for and safe, which will increase emotional wellbeing.

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Question 25 (3 marks)

Explain how the characteristics of people with disabilities may affect their access to services.

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The characteristics of people with disabilities can affect their access to services. For example, A lack of education may affect their access to reach out to services for help because they are unaware on how to do so as the individual does not have the knowledge to do so. Moreover, Types of disability may restrict individuals from seeking access to services. For example, A person who is disabled can not attend particular access to services as they cant participate or genuinley can not attend due to transport difficulty.

Age
level of gender
education
type of disability

Question 26 (4 marks)

How can informal support assist parents to fulfil their parental responsibilities?

Informal support is someone who is not paid for the service they provide. ~~the service they provide~~

Informal support such as the parents mother can help the parental responsibility of discipline. This can be done as the parents mother can teach her disciplinary actions that she used that were successful such as time out. An informal support structure such as a friend can help the parent fulfil their parental responsibility of duty of care.

d-dis
S-setting
d-duty
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A friend can do this by attending ~~the~~ an outing to the park with the parent and child. By doing this she is helping watch the child and assist in the safety / duty of care of the child.

The informal support structure of a friend can also help assist the ~~mother~~ parent in fulfilling the parental responsibility of **setting limits**. The parents child can be at of an age where they want to do things with there friends in the street of an afternoon. The friend can offer help with there information of previous expirience and help set time limits of when the child should be home.

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Question 27 (8 marks)

Answer the following question in relation to ONE of the groups listed below:

- Aged
- Culturally and linguistically diverse communities
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- Rural and remote families
- Gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex communities
- Sole parents
- Youth.

Group: Youth

To what extent have attempts to improve community attitudes towards the group affected its wellbeing?

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There have been many attempts to improve community attitudes towards the youth and their wellbeing. The community look past the youth's achievements and genuinely focus on the stereotype of 'teenage rebellious and outrageous kids'. However kids for the future is an organisation that promotes the good achievements and success of youth, which improve community attitudes as the youth's hard work is being promoted and made known.

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which help the community to look past the bad stereotypes, which will therefore make the youth feel accepted and apart of the community, which will ultimately, increase the emotional and social wellbeing of the youth as they are happy and feel accepted and wont feel scared to communicate with people that are other ages. The community attitudes are positively changed through the help of organisations that strive to achieve the best for all in the community.

End of Question 27

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Question 28 (8 marks)

Answer the following question in relation to ONE of the groups listed below.

The group you select can be the same as or different from the group you used in Question 27:

- Aged
- Culturally and linguistically diverse communities
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- Rural and remote families
- Gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex communities
- Sole parents
- Youth.

YOUTH can't leave
SCHOOL until
17 or have
full time work or
apprenticeship.

Group:

Youth

How have government policy and legislation helped the group to achieve equity within the wider community?

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Government policy and legislation helped the group to achieve equity within the wider community and become independent and feel as though, the youth belong to the community and society. The Government policy and legislation that is in place for youth is that individuals under 17 cannot leave school unless they have an apprenticeship.

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Or full time work. It is through this legislation that provides equity within the wider community as youth are able to obtain a job or apprenticeship just like many adults, which gives ~~them~~ youth the opportunity to create a lifestyle and income for themselves and be independent. Although the youth are young, they are still able to work and support themselves just like adults are able to, this shows that through this legislation, equity is achieved within the wider community because the youth are given the same rights as others and equal opportunity to seek work and gain an income.

End of Question 28