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- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
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Crime and Deviance

Answer ALL questions.

0 1 **Outline TWO reasons for ethnic differences in criminal conviction rates. [4 marks]**

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0 2 **Outline THREE functions that crime and deviance may perform. [6 marks]**

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0 3 Read ITEM A below and answer the question that follows.

ITEM A

Every society sets goals for its members. However, not every member has an equal chance of achieving these mainstream goals by legitimate means. For example, some young people may underachieve at school. Similarly, living in a deprived or unstable neighbourhood can be a barrier to the achievement of mainstream goals.

Deviant subcultures respond to the difficulties of achieving mainstream goals in different ways.

Applying material from ITEM A, analyse TWO ways in which deviant subcultures may respond to the difficulties of achieving mainstream goals. [10 marks]

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0 4 Read ITEM B below and answer the question that follows.

ITEM B

Societies attempt to prevent or control crime in various ways. These may range from simple prevention strategies to tough punishments aimed at deterring would-be offenders. They may also include policies to tackle the underlying causes of crime.

One important type of crime control today is surveillance. This involves monitoring people's behaviour. Surveillance may also include profiling people in terms of their gender, nationality or other characteristics to determine what level of risk they pose.

Applying material from ITEM B and your knowledge, evaluate sociological contributions to our understanding of crime prevention and control. [30 marks]

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Theory and Methods

0 5 **Outline and explain TWO advantages of choosing overt participant observation as a source of data compared with covert participant observation. [10 marks]**

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0 6 Read ITEM C below and answer the question that follows.

ITEM C

Some sociologists take a consensus approach to the study of society. For example, functionalists see society as based on shared values and with all its parts working harmoniously together to meet the needs of the social system.

Other sociologists take a conflict approach. For example, Marxists see society as divided by a fundamental conflict in which one class uses its power to exploit the other. Labelling theory and Weber's social action theory also highlight the importance of conflict and power.

Applying material from ITEM C and your knowledge, evaluate the view that conflict approaches are more useful than consensus approaches to our understanding of society. [20 marks]

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