CARIBBEAN ADVANCED PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION®
SOCIOLOGY
MARK SCHEME FOR SCHOOL-BASED ASSESSMENT

Unit 1

Modules 1, 2, and 3: Mark Schemes for Essays

A. Understanding of Conceptual and Theoretical Perspectives (Maximum 6 marks)

Level 1 Shows little or no understanding of the concepts and theoretical perspectives critical to the discussion. Where these are identified, they are presented largely by means of discrete pieces of information, which are not at all, or only tangentially, related to the question asked. (0 - 2 marks)

Level 2 Shows an understanding of some concepts and theoretical perspectives critical to the discussion and demonstrates how these are relevant to the issue being discussed. (3 - 4 marks)

Level 3 Shows a sound understanding of all concepts and theoretical perspectives critical to the discussion and consistently shows their relevance to the issues being discussed. (5 - 6 marks)

B. Use of Analytical Skills (Maximum 8 marks)

Level 1 Presents a poor discussion of the issues. Arguments are neither logical nor clear for the most part. Little supporting evidence is provided for positions taken. (0 - 2 marks)

Level 2 Presents an adequate discussion of the issues. Arguments are in some cases logical and clear. Some supporting evidence is presented for positions taken. (3 - 5 marks)

Level 3 Presents a sound discussion of the issues. Arguments are logical and clear; strong supporting evidence is provided for positions taken. (6 - 8 marks)

C. Familiarity with Caribbean Social Realities (Maximum 6 marks)

Level 1 Displays little knowledge of Caribbean social reality and provides few or no examples of the Caribbean perspective. (0 - 2 marks)

Level 2 Displays to some extent some knowledge of Caribbean social reality and has provided some examples of the Caribbean perspective to convey the ideas and arguments. (3 -4 marks)

Level 3 Displays sound and widespread knowledge of the Caribbean social reality and has provided pertinent and relevant examples to convey the ideas and arguments. (5 - 6 marks)

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