



Worksheet 5: How to explain 8-mark questions answers

Complete the missing sections for the following questions.

- 1 Explain two characteristics of the interpretivist approach to sociological research.

1 Identify	Qualitative methods.	<i>Gaining verstehen.</i>
2 Explain	<i>Qualitative methods allow researchers a better understanding of people.</i>	Seeing society through the eyes of the subjects.
3 Sociological material (study/concept/theory/empirical evidence)	Unstructured interview.	<i>Participant observation.</i>
4 How the material supports	<i>The in-depth data from an unstructured interview will be qualitative and allow the respondent to explain their view.</i>	This method would enable the researcher to experience a situation from the point of view of the group being studied.

- 2 Explain two ways in which the family benefits society according to functionalists.

1 Identify	Socialisation of children.	<i>Stabilisation of adult personalities.</i>
2 Explain	<i>The family teaches children the norms and values of society.</i>	Adults need to feel a sense of security to cope with modern-day life.
3 Sociological material (study/concept/theory/empirical evidence)	Parson's theory of primary socialisation.	<i>The warm bath theory.</i>
4 How the material supports	<i>The family is the first source of socialisation and is vital in teaching conformity.</i>	The family relieves the pressures of work and society and relaxes the body.