

Community and Family Studies

Section I (continued)

Part B – 15 marks

Attempt Questions 11–15

Allow about 25 minutes for this part

Answer the questions in the spaces provided.

Question 11 (2 marks)

Identify a special need that a chronically ill person might have, and explain how it can be met.

A special need that the chronically ill may have is their financial needs. As a result of their extremely bad health conditions, ~~many~~ medical treatment ~~would~~ and the costs related to it would be a major concern. These need can be met through the governments and community organisations help. ~~The carer~~ could apply for carers allowance and depending on the type & severity ~~of the illness~~ other government programs may be able to help financially.

Question 12 (2 marks)
Explain ONE ethical guideline/procedure you would follow when conducting qualitative research involving people who are chronically ill.

When conducting qualitative (information rather than statistics) research involving the chronically ill one ethical guideline would be to keep in mind that they are in a traumatic state. ~~and~~ Therefore you would not ask any questions that may be too personal or invading into the privacy and the emotional well being of the patient ~~that~~ that is chronically ill.

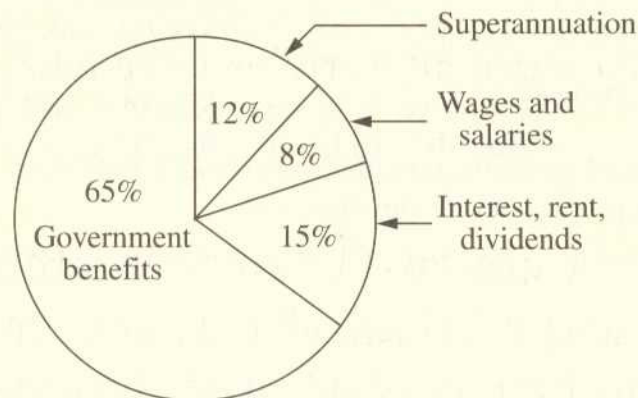
Question 13 (3 marks)

Outline the sequence of steps to be followed when conducting a research project.

The sequence of steps to be followed when conducting a research project to or to achieve any goal is ~~the~~ planning, organising, implementing and finally evaluating. Firstly the researcher need to set a target, prioritise their goals & set standards, which will be influenced by their values and morals. Next they need to organise the plan, ensuring that it will work (type of research), and are the resources available and the person's physical attributes appropriate. Implementing is putting the plan into action and making any appropriate changes in your method of research.

Question 14 (4 marks) It is then essential to evaluate the research and to interpret & analyse the information gained from the research. Researchers have conducted a study in their local community to investigate the sources of income of aged people.

The results are shown in the graph.



Sources of income of aged people

Account for the data in the graph.

A large proportion of the aged are retired and spend their time in voluntary work (17% - 1999 ABS), therefore ~~there~~ a large proportion of their income ^(65%) comes from Government benefits such as the pension and the quarterly allowance of \$17.20 for the telephone bill. Since many of the aged have previously been employed 12% of their income comes from superannuation. As a result of assets 15% of their income comes from interest, rent and dividends, while only 8% of the aged income is from wages and salaries. As a result of retirement a large proportion is from Government benefits.

Question 15 (4 marks)

Describe TWO strategies that parents can use to manage multiple-role expectations arising from work and family commitments.

A quarter of those employed are unsatisfied with their work and family balance (trade-union survey) and therefore a management strategy could be to take on a different pattern of work. The mother or father (trends show probably mother) could adjust to part-time, telecommuting, job share or casual work. As a result there would be more time available to spend with the family and to balance out their commitments.

Another management strategy for a family unit could be the allocating of tasks within the home. If there are children or other family members a roster could be devised in order to share the ~~to task~~ household tasks. Therefore less stress and strain would be upon these tasks and the managing of multiple-role expectations arising from work and family commitments could be improved.