

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)

What is meant by the term 'social definition' when referring to community groups?

A social definition is one used by society to describe a certain community groups. Groups including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, Gay & Lesbians, Homeless, Aged, Youth, Chronic Ill, Sole Parents, Families in Crisis, Rural Families and Socio-economically Disadvantaged.

Question 12 (2 marks)

Outline how ONE community resource can provide support for rural families experiencing financial hardship.

The family may be able to apply for financial assistance from associations such as Centrelink, even though they are located in a rural area, the payments can still be delivered to them and assist them. The community charities such as church groups may also be able to help by providing food, shelter and comfort.

Question 13 (3 marks)

It is claimed that in Australia sole parents are the largest group living in poverty.

Describe the primary and secondary sources of data you would use to test this claim in your local community.

This statement could be claimed via visiting support networks in the local community that would support sole parents, such as Centrelink, or to provide statistics on how many sole parents receive government payments, or secondary sources such as the Bureau of Statistics on the internet could be used and also services which support sole parents such as government payments, housing, charities, etc. in the local area, etc.

Question 14 (4 marks)

A researcher is planning to conduct a survey to investigate the reasons people take on primary caring roles.

How would the researcher ensure that the survey data are reliable and without bias?

To avoid bias, the researcher would need to conduct the survey to a number of different people including males & females, different nationalities, different religions, different cultures, different age groups & different areas (suburbs). Therefore due to the large scale of people being surveyed and the different groups being surveyed, there is a very unlikely chance that they will be bias to a certain answer or be all the same as they will all have different views.

Question 15 (4 marks)

Lee is a seventeen-year-old caring for his mother who has a severe physical disability. Evaluate ONE strategy he may use to satisfy his social wellbeing.

Perhaps one or two days a week, Lee could spend time with his friends & organise a carer for his mother, such as other relatives, family members, friends or a special caring facility that will care for her. ~~& ^{being} friend~~ with others will help her socially. Lee could also include his mother with him on his social outings, therefore her social well-being will also be met with his social well-being. It is extremely important that Lee socialises as it will benefit his personal well-being.