

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?

Social definition generally refers to a socially accepted meaning. It does not hold any legal or scientific bearing. It is what the community ~~is~~ as a whole generally agrees on. Community groups

Question 12 (2 marks)

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

Charities such as The ~~Red~~ Salvation Army provide financial assistance to those in need. They may provide money to help with farming, whilst providing clothing & food parcels which lift some more of the financial burden. The Salvation Army also has an employment agency to help get people into working.

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.

- The first piece of secondary data I would collect is the ABS statistics from the past 3 censuses. This would give us clear evidence ~~to~~ to support or disprove this point.
- Primary - Survey/questionnaire based around marital status, ~~job~~ ~~career~~ employment & income ~~would enable~~ ^{given out to a fairly} large number of people would enable a statistical analysis to be drawn up & assist in making a conclusion.

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?

By surveying covers of both gender types, a range of ages & different types of covers eg. covers of elderly, children, disabled. This would eradicate a fair amount of bias.

Give the survey respondents the chance to give a true answer by including open ended questions, so they aren't limited to a set few responses. Insure surveys are confidential & anonymous. So respondents do not change their answer, because they don't want it to affect their position, status or way they are looked at by particular people. This could be done by a return box rather than to the person themselves.

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.

• Lee could send his mother to respite care every weekend or every second weekend. This way there are trained people who can provide proper & safe care for Lee's mother. Lee's mother will get to know & trust the carers. This will give Lee the piece of mind that his mother is happy & safe. He would then have those 2 days per week/fortnight to meet up with his friends, have conversation, exercise & fulfill his social interaction needs.