

Marks

Question 2 (6 marks)

Name a country, and identify ONE feature of that country that demonstrates BOTH continuity and change.

South Africa

- laws and the legal system  
~~the relationship between~~  
~~white & black individuals~~

With reference to the country you have named, evaluate how power and authority impact on the feature you have identified.

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With regards to the relationship between white and black South Africans it is easy to see how both power and authority have impacted greatly creating both change and continuity.

If we take a functionalist perspective on relations we can see how those in positions of authority utilised laws and the legal system in order to keep the black population in their place and maintain social order as seen in the development of Apartheid in 1948 as well as Amendment and Group Lands Acts limiting black movement, and 1954's Bantu Education Act - all of these changed black society and allowed whites to continue their dominance and oppression of the black population in turn maintaining social order through separation, limitation of movement and legal rights as well as education which taught blacks of their 'inferiority' to the white Afrikaaner population.