

ASIAN AND MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES TRIPOS Part 1B

Japanese Studies

Monday 6 June 2011

13.30 - 16.30

J.9 JAPANESE SOCIETY

Answer **THREE** questions, including at least **ONE** from **EACH** section

Write your number **not** your name on the cover sheet of **each** Answer Book.

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS

20 Page Answer Book x 1 Rough Work Pad

You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed that you may do so by the Invigilator

SECTION A

- In what way can abortion be regarded as a means of family planning, and how does it relate to other means of family planning in Japan?
- What is considered 'good parenting' in Japan? How is it achieved?
- 3 Discuss domestic violence in Japan, including both the factors that cause it and the measures taken to address it.
- What does *shitsuke* mean? Discuss the methods of *shitsuke*, both at home and at school.

SECTION B

- What changes have been made by school and university reforms over the past twenty years in Japan, and what were the effects on education?
- 6 Discuss two or three different kinds of jobs for men and what notions of masculinity relate to each job situation.
- Explain how the socio-economic situation of the 1990s and 2000s has had an impact on Japanese women's work choices and time-use.
- 8 Discuss the history and current situation of at least two disadvantaged social groups in contemporary Japan.
- 9 Discuss the relevance of different notions of cleanliness, purity and order in Japan today.
- Discuss examples of how popular culture reflects current issues in Japanese society.

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