

Six mark assessment guidance

AQA A Level Sociology 7192 • Families & Households • L011 • v1.0

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Explain two ways family resources may create unequal opportunities. [6 marks]

Original local classroom bridge. Question ID: RFTS-AQA-AL-SOC-7192-FAM-L011-Q001. This is not an official AQA Paper 2 mark scheme.

How to award marks

For each of two distinct points: 1 mark for an accurate relevant identification, 1 for explaining the mechanism or distinction and 1 for a developed example or comparison showing its relevance. Maximum 3 per point; total 6. Award components independently.

No creditworthy material = 0. Accept valid alternatives and equivalent wording. Credit comparisons where the question requests differences. Do not double-credit repeated versions of the same point. A name alone is not an explanation.

Model response

A lifetime gift may remove a financial barrier to training. Paying living costs allows a young adult to study while earning less. Someone without that support may have to postpone the same course, creating unequal access despite similar qualifications.

Family contacts can provide useful information. A relative may explain when applications open or identify a relevant training scheme. Earlier or better information can widen the options a young adult considers, while someone outside that network may miss the opportunity.

Why this earns the marks

Each paragraph identifies a distinct relevant point, develops its meaning and demonstrates the connection through an example or comparison: indicative 6/6 under this local rubric.