



**FINAL EXAMINATION**  
**MARCH 2024**

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**COURSE TITLE**                    **THEORIES IN SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE**

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(This Question Paper consists of 3 Printed Pages including front page)

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There are **THREE (3)** questions in this exam paper. Answer **ALL** questions in the answer booklet provided. **[100 MARKS]**

*Terdapat TIGA (3) soalan di dalam kertas peperiksaan ini. Sila jawab SEMUA soalan dalam buku jawapan yang disediakan.* **[100 MARKAH]**

**QUESTION 1**

**(40 Marks)**

Modern social work has evolved beyond simply addressing individual problems. It takes a holistic approach, considering the impact of social structures, power dynamics, and societal issues on individuals, families, and communities.

- a) Compare and contrast radical social work and anti-oppressive practices. Analyze **TWO (2)** core principles of each, highlighting their strengths and limitations in addressing social issues. Provide examples of how these approaches might be applied in social work practice. **(20 marks)**
- b) Classify **TWO (2)** contemporary social issues in Malaysia (e.g., poverty, migrant worker rights, environmental degradation). Explain how a critical social work approach would be used to address this issue. Discuss the potential challenges and opportunities associated with using this approach. **(20 marks)**

**SOALAN 1**

**(40 Markah)**

*Kerja sosial moden telah berkembang lebih daripada sekadar menangani masalah individu. Ia memerlukan pendekatan holistik, dengan mengambil kira kesan struktur sosial, dinamik kuasa dan isu kemasyarakatan terhadap individu, keluarga dan komuniti.*

- a) *Bandingkan dan bezakan kerja sosial radikal dan amalan anti-penindasan. Analisis DUA (2) prinsip teras setiap satu, menonjolkan kekuatan dan batasan mereka dalam menangani isu sosial. Berikan contoh bagaimana pendekatan ini boleh digunakan dalam amalan kerja sosial.* **(20 markah)**
- b) *Klasifikasikan DUA (2) isu sosial kontemporari di Malaysia (cth., kemiskinan, hak pekerja asing, kemerosotan alam sekitar). Terangkan bagaimana pendekatan kerja sosial kritikal akan digunakan untuk menangani isu ini. Bincangkan potensi cabaran dan peluang yang berkaitan dengan menggunakan pendekatan ini.* **(20 markah)**

**QUESTION 2**

**(30 Marks)**

Postmodern, poststructural, and postcolonial theories have challenged traditional social work approaches by deconstructing grand narratives and emphasizing the importance of power, knowledge, and identity.

- a) Find a specific social work practice area (e.g., mental health, child welfare) and discuss **THREE (3)** ways how a post-theory lens could be applied to improve interventions with that population? **(15 marks)**
- b) Identify **THREE (3)** potential challenges and limitations of using post-theories in social work practice. **(15 marks)**

**SOALAN 2**

**(30 Markah)**

*Teori pascamoden, pascastruktural dan pascakolonial telah mencabar pendekatan kerja sosial tradisional dengan menguraikan naratif besar dan menekankan kepentingan kuasa, pengetahuan dan identiti.*

- a) *Cari kawasan amalan kerja sosial tertentu (cth., kesihatan mental, kebajikan kanak-kanak) dan bincangkan TIGA (3) cara bagaimana kanta pasca teori boleh digunakan untuk menambah baik intervensi dengan populasi tersebut? (15 markah)*
- b) *Kenal pasti TIGA (3) potensi cabaran dan batasan penggunaan pasca teori dalam amalan kerja sosial. (15 markah)*

**QUESTION 3**

**(30 Marks)**

Effective social work practice relies on strong frameworks.

- a) Determine **THREE (3)** characteristics of a good framework for practice (e.g., flexibility, evidence-based, culturally competent). (15 marks)
- b) Evaluate **THREE (3)** examples of a specific social work framework and explain how it guides practice in your chosen area of practice. (15 marks)

**SOALAN 3**

**(30 Markah)**

*Amalan kerja sosial yang berkesan bergantung pada rangka kerja yang kukuh.*

- a) *Tentukan TIGA (3) ciri rangka kerja yang baik untuk amalan (cth., fleksibiliti, berasaskan bukti, kompeten dari segi budaya). (15 markah)*
- b) *Nilaikan TIGA (3) contoh rangka kerja sosial khusus dan terangkan cara ia membimbing amalan dalam bidang amalan pilihan anda. (15 markah)*

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