

Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gaillimh
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4EBA in Economic and Social Studies

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SP473 Irish Society

TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS

Answer **THREE** of the following questions:

1. State policies for industrialisation changed a number of times since the 1920s. Briefly discuss these changes and evaluate their effects on Irish society.
2. What has been the effect of EC agricultural policies on small landowners in Ireland?
3. What have been the major effects on the Irish family as the dominance of a household economy based on the ownership of small property changed to one based on wage labor?
4. Evelyn Mahon distinguishes between public and private patriarchy. Identify the two types and discuss the way they have influenced women's lives in Ireland.
5. **Either:**
Explain the term "declassed" and discuss groups in Irish society who would fit into this category.
Or:
Discuss the main features of the class structure, and mobility patterns experienced in Ireland since the 1960s.
6. Discuss Máire Nic Ghiolla Phádraig's argument that the power of the Catholic Church is "waning" in Irish society.
7. What evidence is there that "education in Ireland has functioned as a major vehicle for the pursuit of class interest"?
8. Ciaran McCullagh points out that many theories of criminal behaviour focus on the link between crime and social deprivation. Discuss aspects of criminality in Ireland that are **NOT** explained by the assumption that criminals must be poor, disadvantaged members of society.