

Question 3 (6 marks)

Name ONE theory of social change Conflict Theory

With reference to a country you have studied, evaluate how your chosen theory of social change helps you to understand ONE feature of continuity and ONE feature of change within that country.

The Conflict theory of social change may describe the events of the 1960's in the United States of America. The Black Civil Rights Movement began around 1954 with the desegregation of schools. A bus boycott lead by Rosa Parkes lead to the abolition of segregated transport in 1956. Sit-ins in lunch areas lead to the desegregation of those as well. The conflict experienced at this time lead to social changes being made within the society. This fits the ideas behind the conflict theory, ~~in which~~ of conflict resulting in social change in order to resolve it. The aims and functions of the education system ~~is~~ in the United States of America have been a continuity within American society. The Conflict Theory explains this, as there has been no conflict about these and therefore no resulting social change.

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