

**Question 1 (6 marks)**

- (a) Identify an aspect of a gender role and how it has changed over time.

The gender role of women has traditionally been thought to be the good wife who stays at home, looks after the kids and cooks the meals. Over time this has changed as women have wanted to venture into the work force and become independent.

- (b) Evaluate the impact of society's expectations of gender on your own personal experience.

Through my experiences I have seen how women/girls have been influenced by society's expectations in subject choices at schools. Female students are expected to do food technology or sewing, whereas male students do woodwork. In cases where all girls schools do not even offer woodwork as a subject, thus making it impossible for female students to study it. This in some ways shows that society's expectations of women feel that they do not wish to do a 'male' subject and would rather expect them to do cooking instead.