

Sociology
Y11 into Y12 preparation
pack



Name

Course outline

Content Overview	Assessment Overview	
<p>Introducing socialisation, culture and identity</p> <p>Themes developed through the context of one of three options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Families and relationships • Youth subcultures • Media 	<p>Socialisation, culture and identity (01)</p> <p>90 Marks</p> <p>1 hour 30 minutes written paper</p>	<p>30%</p> <p>of total A level</p>
<p>Research methods and researching social inequalities</p> <p>Understanding social inequalities</p>	<p>Researching and understanding social inequalities (02)*</p> <p>105 Marks</p> <p>2 hours 15 minutes written paper</p>	<p>35%</p> <p>of total A level</p>
<p>Globalisation and the digital social world</p> <p>Debates explored through a detailed study of one of three options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crime and deviance • Education • Religion, belief and faith 	<p>Debates in contemporary society (03)*</p> <p>105 Marks</p> <p>2 hours 15 minutes written paper</p>	<p>35%</p> <p>of total A level</p>

* Indicates synoptic assessment

Task 1: Key theories in Sociology.

Follow the links and do your own research on these key perspectives in Sociology.

Make a poster / mind map with the key information!

1: Functionalism [What is Functionalism? Introduction to A-level Sociology | Sociology | tutor2u](#)

- Value consensus
- Anomie
- Expressive roles
- Instrumental roles

2: Marxism [What is Marxism? | Introduction to A-Level Sociology - YouTube](#)

- Bourgeoisie
- Proletariat
- False consciousness
- Communism
- Capitalism

3: Feminism [What is Feminism? | Introduction to A-Level Sociology - YouTube](#)

- Genderquake
- Malestream
- Patriarchy
- Safety valve

4: Postmodernism [What is Postmodernism? | Introduction to A-Level Sociology - YouTube](#)

- Diversity
- Choice
- Globalisation
- Lyotard

5: New right [Who are the New Right? | Introduction to A-Level Sociology - YouTube](#)

- Underclass
- Murray
- Welfare state
- Privatisation

Functionalism

Marxism

Feminism

Postmodernism

New Right

Task 2: Research these key terms for our first topic: Socialisation, culture and identity. Give an example for each!

Culture	Definition	Examples x2
Norms		
Values		
Identity		
Social class		
High culture		
Global culture		
Disability identity		
Sexual identity		
Age identity		
Gender identity		
Ethnic identity		

Exam question examples... have a go!

In paper 1, there are 6 mark exam questions.

In these questions, you need to give a definition, a little extra info, and two examples.

For example:

Explain, using examples, the concept of social class

Social class is a group based on market situation and what jobs someone has. They might stay in the social class they are born in to or move up or down. An example is working class. These are the people who do manual jobs and have the lowest market situation. Another example is upper class. These are people who have a lot of wealth, usually inherited.

Have a go!

Explain, using examples, the concept of norms

Explain, using examples, the concept of values

Explain, using examples, the concept of gender

Task 3: Families and relationships

In paper 2, we need to explain why different trends are happening within families in the UK. For example, about cohabitation, marriage and divorce.

Have a go at researching or thinking of reasons for each of the trends below

<i>Trend</i>	<i>Reason 1</i>	<i>Reason 2</i>
Marriage rates are decreasing		
Cohabitation rates are increasing		
Divorce rates are increasing		

