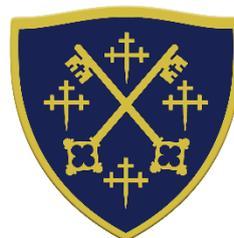


A Level: Sociology

Specification: AQA



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"The function of sociology, as of every science, is to reveal that which is hidden"

Pierre Bourdieu

Sociology will help you to think about society in a new and critical light, questioning the status quo and developing a sophisticated understanding of the real issues that affect the society we live in. A level Sociology also looks at the institutions and forces which shape and are shaped by groups within a society, such as the media and education. A level Sociology helps you to develop knowledge and understanding of the essential sociological theories and methods (such as Functionalism, Marxism and Feminism) with which sociologists make sense of the diversity of societies

Subject Content

Paper 1 – Education and Methods in context	Paper 2 – Families and Households and Media	Paper 3 – Crime and Deviance, Theories and methods
<ul style="list-style-type: none">the role and functions of the education systemdifferential educational achievement of social groupsrelationships and processes within schoolsthe significance of educational policiesresearch methodssociological theories	<ul style="list-style-type: none">the relationship of the family to the social structure and social changethe nature of childhoodchanging patterns in familymedia and its relationships to culturemedia representations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">crime, deviance, social order and social controlthe social distribution of crime and devianceglobalisation and crime in contemporary societycrime control, surveillance, prevention and punishmentresearch methodssociological theories

Exam Assessment

Paper 1: Education in Society, with theories and methods

- 2 hour written exam
- 80 marks
- 33.3% of A-level

Paper 2: Families and Households and The Media

- 2 hour written exam
- 80 marks
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Paper 3: Crime and Deviance, with sociological theories and methods

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Enrichment: Year 13 Tutor2U revision conference.

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