

Sociology: Families and Households, and Theories in Sociology. A Level Year 12

A successful A Level Sociology student seeks to critically analyse the social world as we know it. They have a passion for questioning the dynamics and structures within society, through engaging with sociological research and debate. A Level sociologists confidently apply key terminology to assess, explain, and evaluate sociological issues, to reach well-balanced conclusions. These skills should be applied within well-structured essays which challenge students to describe, explain, analyse and evaluate across a range of question styles. Students will also investigate methodological approaches to sociological study, and seek to investigate how and why research is carried out, and evaluate research perspectives, methods and contexts with confidence and inquisitiveness.

Summary of course content

PART 1: FAMILIES AND HOUSEHOLDS	PART 2: THEORIES IN SOCIOLOGY
Autumn 1: - What is the family? - Theories of the family - Couples and division of labour Autumn 2: - Childhood - Demography Spring 1: - Changing family patterns - Family diversity - Social policy	Spring 2: - Structural theories Summer 1: - Action theories - Globalisation, modernity and postmodernity Summer 2: - Social policy - Objectivity and values - Sociology and science - Quantitative and qualitative research methods

You can find the AQA specification here: <https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/sociology/a-level/sociology-7192/specification>

Weekly:	• Completion of set work as outlined in the grid below
Fortnightly:	• Review of recent lessons, write up lessons, learn key terminology, produce revision resources such as cards and mind maps of areas studied . • Make sure books are organised, neat, work lesson notes complete, work fastened in books • Independent Study Folder (ISF): this will be checked fortnightly by your tutor and logged.
Half termly:	• Revision: Review knowledge quizzes. Review topics and produce revision resources, e.g., flashcards, mind maps, posters, etc. • Complete blank knowledge organisers for topics correct answers
After each topic/ unit	• Syllabus-make sure you have revision notes for each area studied, RAG it (Red don't understand amber ok Green go) go back through red/ Amber areas you are not sure of, make notes do exam questions • Using planning exam question books work through answers for each topic prioritise the ones you don't know • Download exam paper (A LEVEL) from AQA website, complete in timed conditions, mark using mark schemes and examiners reports https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/sociology/a-level/sociology-7192/assessment-resources

In addition to those provided for specific tasks by your teacher, resources include:

TEAMS: knowledge organisers; lesson PowerPoints and reference materials; end of unit summaries.

Recommended sites for independent research:

- Tutor2U: <https://www.tutor2u.net/free/sociology/p2?search&type%5B0%5D=3439>
- Hectic Teacher: <https://www.hectic-teacher.co.uk/>
- The Sociology Guy: <https://thesociologyguy.com/crime-and-deviance/>
- The Sociology Teacher: <https://www.thesociologyteacher.com/>

Independent Learning Schedule – two hours directed by each of your teachers (subject to change):

- **KEY WORD GRIDS**
- **WORK BOOKLET**
- **REVISION MATERIALS**
- **ESSAY PLANNING**
- **KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER QUIZ REVISION**
- **RESEARCH PROJECT**
- **ESSAY QUESTION (set as independent work alongside regular in-class essays in timed conditions)**

Week beginning	Teacher: Miss E Howroyd
7 th September	- Theories research grid in preparation for first topic.
14	- Fill in key word grid for topic 1. - Complete pages 21-23 in families work booklet.
21	- Complete pages 23-28 in families work booklet - Plan end of topic essay (topic 1) - Revision material creation for theories of the family (grid) - Revision for knowledge organiser quiz
28	- Fill in key word grid for topic 2. - Complete pages 2-11 of families work booklet.
5 th October	- Complete pages 2-11 of families work booklet.
12	- Plan end of topic essay (topic 2) - Revision for knowledge organiser quiz.
19	- Research project into aspect of childhood (into half term)
26	HALF TERM
2 nd November	- Fill in key word grid for topic 3. - Complete pages 12-20 in families work booklet.
9	- Complete pages 12-20 in families work booklet. - Plan end of topic essay (topic 3) - Revision for knowledge organiser quiz.
16	- Complete pages 12-20 in families work booklet.
23	- Fill in key word grid for topic 4. - Complete pages 30-39 in families work booklet.
30	- Complete pages 30-39 in families work booklet. - Revision for knowledge organiser quiz
7 th December	- Complete pages 30-39 in families work booklet.
14	- Revision material creation for demography (grid)
21	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS - Essay question for demography (topic 4)
28	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
4 th January	- Fill in key word grid for topic 5. - Complete pages 41-53 in families work booklet
11	- Complete pages 41-53 in families work booklet - Revision material creation for different family types.

18	- Complete pages 41-53 in families work booklet - Plan for end of topic essay (topic 5) - Revision for knowledge organiser quiz
25	- Fill in key word grid for topic 6. - Complete pages 54-57 of families work booklet
1 st February	WORK EXPERIENCE
8	- Complete pages 57-61 of families work booklet
15	HALF TERM - Revision for knowledge organiser quiz - Plan end of topic essay (topic 6)
22	- Fill in key word grid for topic 7. - Complete pages 62-67 of families work booklet - Answer end of topic essay (topic 7)
1 st March	THEORIES TOPIC BEGINS - Fill in key word booklet page for topic 1 (functionalism) - Complete revision clock for theories of the family
8	- Complete revision clock for couples - Revision for knowledge organiser quiz
15	- Fill in key word booklet for topic 2 (Marxism) - Complete revision clock for childhood
22	- Complete revision clock for demography
29	EASTER HOLIDAYS - Families section paper 2
5 th April	EASTER HOLIDAYS
12	- Fill in key word booklet for topic 3 (Feminism) - Complete revision clock for changing family patterns
19	- Complete revision clock for family diversity - Revision for knowledge organiser quiz
26	- Fill in key word booklet for topic 4: (action theories) - Complete revision clock for social policy
3 rd May	- Complete blank knowledge organiser for functionalism (theories)
10	- Fill in key word booklet for topic 5. (globalisation, modernity and post modernity) - Revision for knowledge organiser quiz - Complete blank knowledge organiser for Marxism (theories)
17	- Complete blank knowledge organiser for Feminism (theories)
24	- Fill in key word booklet for topic 6: social policy - Fill in social policy revision grid
31	HALF TERM - Fill in key word booklet for topic 7: objectivity and values - Complete blank knowledge organiser for action theories - Revision for knowledge organiser quiz
7 th June	- Revision for families trial exam
14	- Revision for families trial exam
21	- Revision for families trial exam
28	- Fill in key word booklet for topic 8: sociology and science - Complete blank knowledge organiser for globalisation, postmodernity and modernity (theories) - Revision for knowledge organiser quiz
5 th July	- Fill in key word booklet for topics 9+10: quantitative and qualitative research methods. - Complete blank knowledge organiser for objectivity and values in sociology
12	- Complete blank knowledge organiser for sociology and science

19	- Full families section from paper 2 + 2 theories questions over summer holidays
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