

Sociology

Summer Work Booklet



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Sociology A Level transition work 2019

Your A Level Sociology will be divided into three papers. Each paper will be two hours long. The content is below:

Paper 1	Paper 2	Paper 3
Education	Families and Households	Crime and Deviance
Theory and Methods	Media	Theory and Methods

First it is important that you know what Sociology is and more importantly what it is not.

Complete the task below:

1a. In 50-100 words, summarise what you believe Sociology to be.

2a. Now watch the following video and add to your notes, summarising what you believe Sociology to be. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LK5J0-cM-HE>

Within Sociology we will look at a number theories and contemporary issues. It will be useful to you if you have already gained some knowledge on some of these theories/issues.

Consensus vs. Conflict Theory

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2wFPajHuluE>

Question: What is the difference between consensus and conflict theory's approaches to studying society? Make some notes on your answer to this question.

Wider reading:

There are many sources that you can use but below are some of the key websites that will prove helpful to you throughout your A Level. Take some time and find your way around these sites in time for your September start.

- www.tutor2Usociology
- www.thesociologyguy
- <https://www.youtube.com/user/TheTEACHERSOCIOLOGY>

Videos:

Log onto Clickview and access the video called **The School Swap** and make some brief notes on what this shows you about the differences in education between rich and poor students. Answer the following questions:

1. What is the difference in education for state schools and private schools?
2. What may be the differences at home that may affect how well a pupil achieves at school?
3. What school factors may affect how well a pupil achieves at school?

If you REALLY want to stretch yourself then you can also access **Reggie Yates: Street Gangs** and **Bride and Prejudice** and make notes on why you think that this may relate to Sociology.

Twitter suggestions:

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@TheSocReview – The Sociology Review A Level magazine

@DailySociology – sociology news every day

@SocImages – links to interesting articles and research

@TheSocCinema – pop culture and film links with sociology

@SassySociology – a PhD student specialising in gender, ethnicity and inequalities

@LearnSoc - this is the official twitter page of one of the largest sociology website

@SociologyLens -provides links to current sociological topics, research and issues to debate

FIREFLY

Above all make sure that you log onto FIREFLY and have a look around the Sociology section. We will be using this for every lesson as from September, so get ahead of yourself now.

Good luck and we will see you in September 😊