

Sociology @ WBS Year 11 Roadmap

Subject Aim: Year 11 Sociology seeks to build on study from year 10 in terms of themes, assessment criteria and questioning. Students will be aided in learning about broad sociological themes and use the skills taught from year 10 in order to answer questions successfully about the topic. Lessons will also focus on of life chances and identifying characteristics where learners will be required to give their evaluation on wide social issues. Students should be growing comfortable with all assessment types and how to best show off their assessment criteria.

	Topic Research Methods	Assessment
Autumn Term	Students will build on their previous thematic topics and skills topics in research methods. Teaching staff should provide more context to more specific forms of research and encourage students to apply the same evaluative skills as they have done before to a different context. Lessons should facilitate the application of new content to the topics of Family and crime where appropriate, in order to deepen this knowledge.	<p>There will be a formal assessment using exam questions at the end of each topic. These assessments will be after a period of revision and will be timed and closed book. Timing will be relevant to questions and placement in course. Students will receive a grade and targeted feedback at these points.</p> <p>Formative assessment will be throughout using methods such as; in class discussions and questioning, checking understand through book work, students teaching aspects of their own learning and small scale exam questions that are peer/ self marked in order to give some understanding of assessment criteria.</p>
	<p>Topic Crime and Deviance</p> <p>Students will learn about how society creates, monitors and punishes crime. Lessons should facilitate in student's understanding of how criminals are socially created, either through direct or indirect factors and look to provide students with the capacity to evidence their argument with theory, studies or statistical evidence. Attention should be paid to all assessment types, but in particular 4 mark questions that draw heavily on more detailed sociological explanations.</p>	
Spring Term	<p>Topic Social Stratification</p> <p>Lessons in this topic seek to draw together elements from the previous content as well as go deeper in understanding how our society is ordered in terms of class, gender, ability and race. Students will be encouraged to look further into the strata of society and how mobility occurs within it, if the society allows for this. Students will be developing their evaluative techniques at this stage and developing a mastery of application skills to topics taught before and wider ones.</p>	<p>Homework and Revision</p> <p>Revision is encouraged from the start of the course but will be highlighted during times prior to Key Assessments. Some in class revision will be given out but this will be study skill based and giving students methods to revise their knowledge. An emphasis in second year will be placed on how evaluation of ideas as this is a perceived weakness by teaching staff. Some homeworks will be set across all classes regardless of teaching staff while additional homework will be given at the discretion of class teacher but should take the form of research that will aid in forward learning or answering practice questions that will be reviewed as a class as a learning exercise. The use of assessment questions as homework will utilised more frequently.</p>
		<p>Enrichment themes</p> <p>Throughout year 11 students will be enriched in a variety of ways, the chance to debate and discuss moral and spiritual questions and have their view respected forms part of British Values but also SMSC. The topics studied provide a vast potential for further enrichment beyond the discussions around criminality, morality and equality that is done at a classroom level.</p>

Where Next?

Students will finish their studies with a GCSE examination. A-Level Sociology is offered at Sixth Form and the skills taught and developed at GCSE provide a good starting place for any prospective student at A level. Study of Sociology at GCSE leads well into other A-level topics such as Law, Philosophy and Ethics and Psychology

