

WBS AQA GCSE SOCIOLOGY ROADMAP

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1 Sociology Basics

In this module we will cover all the key terms and an introduction to the main sociological theories; Marxism, Feminism and Functionalism. You will also learn how to answer a 3 mark question.

4 Research Methods

In this module we will explore how and why sociologists do research. You will also get the chance to apply your learning to your own research! You will also learn how to answer a 2 and 4 mark question.

How am I assessed?

Throughout your two years you will have two mock exam papers and mini-mocks at the end of each module to prepare you for your final exam. Your final exams are AQA GCSE Sociology. You will sit 2 x 1 hour 45 min exams that have a mixture of long, short and multiple choice questions. But, throughout your studies we will support you to success in these.

September - February

2 Sociology of Family

In this module we will cover the sociology of the family. We will look at key questions such as; why is family changing? Are families fair? Why do children have more power? and How has the law changed the family? We will critically analyse these from theoretical perspectives. This is when we start teaching exam skills and revision techniques.

5 Sociology of Crime

In this module we will cover the sociology of the crime. We will look at key questions such as; why does crime happen? Is the criminal justice system fair? Can you learn to be a criminal? and How do your social characteristics influence you? We will critically analyse these from theoretical perspectives. You will continue to practice exam structures.

What does homework look like?

Homework is are designed to be purposeful and supportive throughout. You will notice that you are given tasks that either ask to you practice a revision skills such as mind-maps or blurting OR your homework take you through a modelled example of an exam question and ask you to have a go on your own.

It is important you complete your homework as this is a tool your teachers use to see where they need to offer you further support. If you are ever stuck - just ask!

March - June

3 Sociology of Education

In this module we will cover the sociology of the education. We will try to answer the questions such as; Who does best in education and why? How do teachers impact our education? How does home impact our education? and How has the law changed education? We will critically analyse these from theoretical perspectives. You will continue to develop your exam technique.

6 Social Stratification

In this module we will cover social inequality. This module focuses on one question 'Is society fair'? It asks you to explore this question from different theoretical views as well as looking at if class, age, gender, ethnicity, sexuality and disability influence your experience of inequality. This is a great module as it recaps lots of the key ideas we have already explored to build up for your final exams.

What can I do with my GCSE Sociology?

In a world where we are more connected than ever Sociology is a tool that allows you to explore people's differences and understand why society is the way it is - so any employer would be lucky to have a sociologist! Some of our past sociologists have become nurses, researchers, political analysts, lawyers and business consultants.

Your GCSE's are often a stepping stone to A-Levels which you could continue Sociology or look at Law, Psychology or Philosophy and Ethics. There are other options too such as health and social care, public services and criminology! Speak to your teacher if you'd like more advice.