



Sociology Curriculum

St Thomas More High School

Sociology - Year 12

	TERM ONE		
	Teacher One	Teacher Two	Teacher Three
Topics	Introduction to what Sociology is and sociological theory. Students will have a brief introduction to the subject and key concepts. Key areas for study: What is sociology/core themes Culture, norms, values and socialisation Functionalism Marxism Feminism Structuralism versus Action theory Labelling The New Right Post modernism PAPER 1 Education Students will study the role of education in society in preparation for paper 1. Key areas for study: Role of education – Functionalism Role of education – Marxism • Role of education – the New Right Social class and achievement – external factors Social class and achievement – internal factors Social class and identity	Research Methods Students will study methods and context in preparation for paper 1 and paper 3. Key areas for study: Introduction to research methods Introduction to research methods in context Experiments Experiments Questionnaires Questionnaires in context	PAPER 2 Families and Household Students will study the role of families and households in society in preparation for paper 2. Key areas for study: Theories of the family — Functionalism Theories of the family — Marxism Theories of the family — Feminism Theories of the family — Personal life perspective
<u>Exam</u> <u>Spec</u>	3.1.1, 3.1.2	3.2.1	3.2.2.2
Assessment	Baseline education question		Exam question on families and households
E/L	HT1 Complete the questions in the booklet.	HT2 Complete as many tasks in the booklet from page 1-43 as you can.	HT2 Complete as many tasks in the booklet from page 1-43 as you can.



	TERM TWO		
	Teacher One	Teacher Two	Teacher Three
	PAPER 1 Education Students will continue to study the role of education in society in preparation for paper 1.	Research Methods Students will study methods and context in preparation for paper 1 and paper 3. Key areas for study:	PAPER 2 Families and Households Students will study the role of families and households in society in preparation for paper 2.
Topics	 Key areas for study: Ethnicity and achievement - external factors Ethnicity and achievement - internal factors Gender and achievement - external factors Gender and achievement - internal factors Gender and achievement - boys Gender and subject choice Gender identity Education policy - before 1988 Education policy - after 1988 The privatisation of education 	 Interviews Interviews in context Observations Observations in context Secondary data/sources Secondary data / sources in context Revision on Education and Research - Paper 1 	 Key areas for study: Changing family patterns Family diversity Demographics Couples Childhood
Exam Spec	3.1.1	3.2.1	3.2.2.2
Assessment	Education question	Methods question	Families question
E/L	HT3 Complete as many tasks in the booklet as you can.		HT4 Complete pages 44-82 of the booklet.

	TERM THREE		
	Teacher One	Teacher Two	Teacher Three
	PAPER 1 Education with Theory and Methods Revision	PAPER 1 Education with Theory and Methods Revision	Paper 2 Families and Households Revision
Topics	Students will spend this term revising and consolidating their knowledge for this paper. They will analyse and explore exemplar exam answers and revise areas for improvement.	Students will spend this term revising and consolidating their knowledge for this paper. They will analyse and explore exemplar exam answers and revise areas for improvement.	Students will spend this term revising and consolidating their knowledge for this paper. They will analyse and explore exemplar exam answers and revise areas for improvement.
Exam Spec	3.1	3.1	3.2.2.2
Assessment	Mocks	Mocks	Mocks
E/L	HT5 Complete as many tasks in the booklet as you can.	HT6 Complete as many tasks in the booklet as you can.	

ASSESSMENT OBJECTIVES

AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of:

- sociological theories, concepts and evidence
- sociological research methods

AO2: Apply sociological theories, concepts, evidence and research methods to a range of issues

AO3: Analyse and evaluate sociological theories, concepts, evidence and research methods in order to:

- present arguments
- make judgements
- draw conclusions.

Resources / Useful Links

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Hectic Teacher Sociology

Sociology - Education | AQA A Level Sociology - YouTube

Sociology: Families and Households (AQA A-Level Sociology) - YouTube

Sociology - Theory & Methods (AQA A-Level Sociology) - YouTube

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Sociology- Year 13

	TERM ONE		
	Teacher One	Teacher Two	Teacher Three
Topics	Crime and Deviance with Methods in Context Students will study crime and deviance in preparation for paper 3. They will study a range of factors. Key areas to be studied: Defining crime and deviance Social control and social order Functionalism explaining crime and deviance Merton's strain theory Subcultural theories explaining crime and deviance The social construction /Labelling theory explaining crime and deviance Mental illness and suicide: the sociology of deviance Explaining class differences in crime – from the theories so far Marxism explaining crime and deviance Neo-Marxism explaining crime and deviance Crimes of the powerful Right realism explaining crime and deviance Left realism explaining crime and deviance	Students will carry on their study of methods and theory. Key areas to be studied: Recap on methods — quantitative and qualitative data/methods Sociology and science — positivism verses interpretivism / definitions of science Sociology, objectivity and values in sociology Functionalism Marxism — Marx — traditional Marxism, Structuralist Marxism, Humanist Marxism Feminist theories — liberal, Marxist, Radical, Difference, Poststructuralist, dual systems feminism	Paper 2 The Media Students will study the role of the mass media in society in preparation for paper 2. Key areas to be studied: Introduction to the mass media - Media organisations and media concentration Role of the media - pluralism Role of the media - Marxism Role of the media - Neo-Marxism New media - characteristics of the new media / who is using the new media? New Media - debate Neophiliacs New Media - debate Cultural pessimists New Media - lack of regulation / conclusions The media, globalisation and popular culture - types of culture / effects of globalisation on popular culture
Exam Spec	4.3	4.1.3	4.2.7
Assessment	Paper 1 question		Paper 2 question
E/L	HT1 Complete the booklet.		HT2 Use the booklet to complete revision cards for media. Only do the topics you have covered so far.



	TERM TWO		
	Teacher One	Teacher Two	Teacher Three ^{Back}
Topics	Paper 3 Crime and Deviance with Methods in Context Students will continue to study crime and deviance in preparation for paper 3. They will study a range of factors. • Gender and crime using official statistics and other sources of data on crime • Gender — explaining female crime • Gender — explaining male crime • Ethnicity and crime using official statistics and other sources of data on crime • Explaining the differences in offending for ethnicity — Left Realism verses Neo-Marxism • Crime and the Mass Media • Globalisation and crime • Green crime • Human rights and state crimes • Crime prevention, control, surveillance • Punishment • Victims of crime	Students will carry on their study of methods and theory. Action theories – social action theory Action theories – symbolic interactionism Action theories – labelling theory / Goffman's dramaturgical model Action theories - Phenomenology Action theories - Ethnomethodology Action theories - Structuration Globalisation and modernity Post modernism and Late modernism Marxist theories of postmodernity Sociology and social policy	Paper 2 The Media Students will continue to study the role of the mass media in society in preparation for paper 2. • Role of the media – Postmodernism • Effects models – The Hypodermic syringe model • Effects models – active audience approaches – 2 step flow, selective filter, uses and gratification • Effects models – active audience approaches, uses and gratification – the cultural effects model, the Postmodernist model • News selection – window versus social construction of news • News presentation • Mass media age representations • Mass media social class representations • Mass media gender representations • Mass media sexuality representations • Mass media sexuality representations • Mass media disability representations Mass media ethnicity representations
<u>Exam</u> <u>Spec</u>			
Assessment	Paper 3 question	Paper 3 question	Paper 2 question
E/L	HT3 Complete the booklet. HT4 Complete the booklet.		HT3 Use the booklet to complete revision cards for media. Finish all of the topics you haven't done previously.

	TERM THREE		
	Teacher One Teacher Two Teacher Three		Teacher Three
	Revision Paper 1 and 3	Revision Paper 1 and 3	Revision Paper 2
Topics	Students will spend this time consolidating and revisiting their knowledge and understanding for both of these papers.	Students will spend this time consolidating and revisiting their knowledge and understanding for both of these papers.	Students will spend this time consolidating and revisiting their knowledge and understanding for both topics (Families and Households/Media) for this paper.
<u>Exam</u> <u>Spec</u>	4.1.1, 4.1.2, 4.1.3 4.3.1, 4.3.2	4.1.1, 4.1.2, 4.1.3 4.3.1, 4.3.2	4.2.2 , 4.2.7
Assessment	EXAMS	EXAMS	EXAMS
E/L	Complete as much of the two booklets as you can.		

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