

Sociology

Year 12 Summer Task

Welcome to Sociology. The purpose of this booklet is to introduce to the subject you have chosen to study with us in year 12.

To help you make a great start we would like you to complete the following task which will become part of your induction in September.

We have deliberately chosen a task that will highlight the difference between psychology and sociology for those considering doing both together.

The Social Sciences department aims to develop your skills in critical analysis of research into how society affects different groups of people, as well as allowing you to conduct your own investigations. Sociology will help you understand what affects whole groups of people from different walks of life and perhaps why they behave the way they do.

In Year 12 you will study 'A level' Paper 1 and 2:

Paper 1: Education with Methods in Context

- *Education*- understand the role and functions of the education system, including its relationship to the economy and to class structure, differential achievement of social groups by social class, gender and ethnicity in contemporary society.
- *Methods in context*- learn how Sociologists conduct their investigations and apply these to the study of education.

Paper 2: Research Methods and Topics in Sociology

- *Research Methods*- Learning the different methods and the factors which affect a Sociologist's choice of method, including; theoretical, practical and ethical issues.
- *Topic: Families and Household*- the relationship of the family to the social structure and social change, with particular reference to the economy and to state policies, gender roles, domestic labour and power relationships within the family in contemporary society.

In order that you are prepared for your studies next year please also have the following items ready for the start of term.

- A folder and dividers (which will be essential for organising the course notes, your additional notes, homework and assessments)
- A4 pad of lined paper
- Pencil Case with pens, highlighters and 'post-it' notes

You will be required to purchase sociology 'work packs' (£5) and the course textbook:

AQA for A level Book 1 Sociology **ISBN-13:** 978-0-9540079-1-1

Preparatory tasks

Successful study in the sixth form is all about being prepared, self-motivated, and developing the right skills such as independent learning. We will make every effort to support you in your learning and would like you to do the same.

In preparation for the first term of study please spend some time on the tasks below so that when you arrive with us in September you can make the best possible start to your studies.

Task 1

Define the following terms:

- Socialisation
- Culture
- Social Identity
- Nationalism
- Roles
- Values
- Norms
- Role conflict
- Customs
- Role models
- Ethnicity
- Minority ethnic group
- Social class
- Deviance
- Underclass

Task 2:



Item A: Football hooliganism can distract from the game itself. In June 2016 German hooligans became the latest to join street battles that have marred the Euro 2016 tournament, following three days of clashes in Marseille between Russian and English fans. Thirty-five people were injured in the worst violence at an international tournament since the 1998 World Cup in France, with three in a serious condition.

Outline three sociological reasons to explain the behaviour the fans at Euro 2016. You might want to use several of the terms above in your answer. [6 marks]

Mark scheme for summer task

Band 1 0-2 marks	Task incomplete and no/minimal use is made of the sociology key terms provided. The answer lacks coherence and substance. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• One appropriate sociology reasons to explain the behaviour (two marks each maximum)
Band 2 3-4 marks	The answer is basic and accurate, some terms are used correctly but the answer shows a superficial understanding, or inconsistent depth. It has been applied to the scenario at least once. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Two appropriate sociology reasons to explain the behaviour (two marks each)
Band 3 5-6 marks	A good answer which uses all the material provided in a sensible answer which is clear and well written. It has been applied to the scenario more than once. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Three appropriate sociology reasons to explain the behaviour (two marks each)

Enjoy the summer!
We look forward to working with you in
Year 12.