

A Level Sociology

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Exam Board - AQA

Sociology is the study of society - how people interact in groups. A level Sociology examines social behaviour from a variety of perspectives: how it originates and then develops, and the ways people are organised into groups according to distinctions such as class, gender and race. A level Sociology also looks at the institutions and forces which shape and are shaped by groups within a society, such as the family, the media, and the education system. A level Sociology focuses on contemporary society, providing an awareness of the importance of social structure and actions in explaining social forces and issues.

A level Sociology offers an engaging and effective introduction to Sociology. Students will learn the fundamentals of the subject and develop skills valued by higher education (HE) and employers, including critical analysis, independent thinking and research.

Modules

Education with Theory and Methods

- Education
- Research methods

Topics in Sociology

- Families and households
- The Mass Media

Crime and Deviance with Theories and Methods

- Crime and deviance
- Research methods

Assessment

Paper 1 - 2 hour written examination on Education with Theory and Methods (33.3%)

Paper 2 – 2 hour written examination on Topics in Sociology (33.3%)

Paper 3 – 2 hour written examination on Crime and Deviance with Theory and Methods (33.3%)

Career Opportunities

There are many different kinds of degree in this area, and it can be combined with other degree subjects as at A-Level. There are many graduate jobs related to Sociology, such as education, training and teaching, social/community work, social research, social worker and public service roles. If you do not go on to degree level in the subject, an A-Level will help get you a career in the areas of business, the public sector and the not-for-profit sector.

Complementing subjects;

- English
- Media Studies
- History
- Criminology
- Psychology
- Health and Social studies





