

## GCSE Sociology Overview

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
10	<p>Introduction to Sociology – Key Concepts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is sociology?</li> <li>• What are the key theories?</li> <li>• What are the key sociological concepts?</li> <li>• What is meant by socialisation?</li> <li>• What is the nature Vs nurture debate?</li> <li>• How do we develop/acquire our sense of identity?</li> </ul>	<p>Understanding Social Processes – Families</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is family?</li> <li>• What are the different types of family?</li> <li>• How has marriage changed?</li> <li>• What is meant by family diversity?</li> <li>• What are the reasons for lone parent families, singlehood and divorce?</li> <li>• Is the family in decline?</li> <li>• How have the roles of men and women changed? Including the work of Willmott &amp; Young.</li> <li>• How have ideas about childhood changed?</li> <li>• How have the lives of older people changed and how has this affected families?</li> <li>• How does functionalism view family?</li> <li>• How does Marxism view family?</li> <li>• How does feminism view family?</li> </ul>		<p>Research Methods</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is sociological research?</li> <li>• Introduction to ethical issues (evaluating research).</li> <li>• What is primary data and the methods/data types used?</li> <li>• What is secondary data and the methods/data types used?</li> <li>• Choosing a sampling technique.</li> <li>• Practical issues when carrying out research.</li> </ul>	<p>Understanding Social Processes – Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are the key issues for sociologists in education?</li> <li>• What is the role of education: Functionalist; Marxist &amp; Feminist views.</li> <li>• What is the current picture of education in the UK?</li> <li>• What choices do parents have regarding schools?</li> <li>• What is meant by the formal and Hidden curriculum?</li> <li>• What is meant by ‘Anti School subcultures’?</li> <li>• How does social class affect attainment?</li> <li>• Cultural Vs material deprivation.</li> <li>• How does gender affect attainment?</li> <li>• How does ethnic group affect attainment?</li> <li>• How does the school culture and processes affect attainment?</li> </ul>	

11	<p>Understanding Social Structures – Crime &amp; Deviance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is the difference between crime and deviance?</li> <li>• How do ideas of crime and deviance change?</li> <li>• How does society maintain order</li> <li>• What are the types of crime?</li> <li>• Victims of crime</li> <li>• How does the media influence crime &amp; deviance?</li> <li>• What patterns of crime can be identified?</li> <li>• Interactionism and crime</li> <li>• What do Marxists say about crime &amp; deviance?</li> <li>• What is the functionalist view of crime &amp; deviance?</li> <li>• What is structural theory?</li> <li>• How do subcultures link to crime?</li> <li>• Females and crime &amp; deviance</li> <li>• Ethnic minorities and crime</li> <li>• How useful are crime statistics?</li> </ul>	<p>Understanding Social Structures – Social Stratification</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is meant by inequality?</li> <li>• How is society stratified?</li> <li>• What do functionalists think about stratification &amp; differentiation?</li> <li>• What does Marxism think about stratification?</li> <li>• What do Feminists believe about stratification?</li> <li>• What is meant by social differentiation?</li> <li>• What do we mean by power and authority in society?</li> <li>• Do we live in a classless society?</li> <li>• How does social class affect society?</li> <li>• How does gender affect life chances?</li> <li>• How does society respond to age?</li> <li>• How does the UK respond to ethnic minorities and issues of race?</li> <li>• How does the UK respond to disability?</li> <li>• How does sexuality affect life chance in the UK?</li> <li>• What does poverty look like in the UK?</li> <li>• What is social exclusion?</li> </ul>	<p>Revision</p>