

Subject: Sociology

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Year 10 - Autumn Term 2010

Contents: what you will study

Module 1 - What is Sociology?

- Introduction to course content & the purpose of Sociology
- Exploring keywords and concepts in sociology

What is the Family & how has it changed?

- What is the purpose of the Family?
- What types of family exist?
- What changes have taken place to the family in Britain?
- How have relationships within the family changed?
- What do recent marriage & divorce rates tell us about the family?
- How has the role of women changed in the family and society?
- How has the relationship between parents & children changed overtime?

GCSE levels at which you will work

Grades up to A* at GCSE

Skills which you will develop this term:

- Compare family types in different cultures
- To understand the importance of the 'family unit'
- Analysing statistics and research data
- Essay writing skills
- Learning Key Concepts and definitions
- End of unit test / interpreting & answering exam type questions
- Individual & group work involving:
 - Poster presentations
 - Using ICT to research & present information

Assessment: how you will be tested this term

1. Exam type questions
2. Presentation as part of ICT skills
3. Data response and short answer questions
4. End of unit test

Equipment which you will need for this term's work

Your sociology textbook and folder must be brought to all lessons

Key words which you will need to learn for this term's work

Culture	Society	Socialisation
Norms	Values	Status
Roles	Social control	Reconstituted family
Divorce	Marriage	Gender
Symmetrical family	Diversity	

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Year 10 - Spring Term 2011

Contents: what you will study

Module 2 - What is sociology research?

- Why do sociologists do research?
- What methods do they use to collect information?
- What are the strengths & weaknesses of these methods?
- Introduction to the coursework requirements
- To plan & initiate your coursework title and action plan

GCSE levels at which you will work

Grades up to A* at GCSE

Skills which you will develop this term:

- Analysing statistics and research data
- Knowledge of research methods
- Learning key concepts and definitions
- Presentation and research skills including ICT skills

Assessment: how you will be tested this term

1. Exam type questions
2. Mini End of Unit Projects (Consolidating Work)
3. Data response and short answer questions
4. End of unit test

Equipment which you will need for this term's work

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Key words which you will need to learn for this term's work

Quantitative data
Validity
Interviews

Qualitative data
Reliability
Observation

Representativeness
Questionnaires
Sampling

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Year 10 - Summer Term 2011

Contents: what you will study

Module 3 - Education

- Structure of the Education System
- Influence of gender, class and ethnicity
- Functions of the Education System
- How factors such as attitudes, ethos and the economy can affect pupils' attainment

GCSE levels at which you will work

Grades up to A* at GCSE

Skills which you will develop this term:

- Develop knowledge and understanding
- Analyse and Interpret different types of data
- Learning key concepts and definitions
- Presentation and research skills including ICT
- Essay skills

Assessment: how you will be tested this term

1. Exam type questions
2. Presentation as part of the coursework
3. Data response and short answer questions
4. Analyse the roles of student, teacher and government policies.

Equipment which you will need for this terms work

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Key words which you will need to learn for this term's work

Curriculum	Labelling	Streaming
Exclusion	Vocational Education	Opting Out
Independent School	Setting	League Tables