

GCSE Sociology - 6pm

Sociology students will be sitting two papers

Paper 1: Families and Education - 16th May

Paper 2: Crime and Deviance and Social
Stratification - 10th June

Each paper is 1hr 45 and is marked /100

Revision guidance

- RAG your knowledge to identify strengths and weaknesses
- Create **colour-coded** and **dual-coded** mind-maps, flashcards and timelines of key government legislation (especially for the Education topic)
- Try to revise without looking at your notes at first, then use your notes to add more detail
- Test yourself and your friends as often as you can. Repetition is the key to success!
- Revise each of the key sociologists until their main ideas become **fingertip knowledge**.
- Complete practice exam questions - if you bring them to me I will mark them!
- Put revision materials around the house and around your room if you can - create a “mind palace”

What are students marked on in GCSE Sociology?

AO1 - Demonstrating knowledge

Using keywords, theories, sociologists, research methods, data, policies and statistics

AO2 - Applying knowledge

Linking back to the question, using connectives, selecting relevant evidence

AO3 - Analysing/Evaluating knowledge

Using connectives to compare theories, criticising theories, supporting theories with evidence, drawing conclusions and making judgements

Paper 1: The sociology of families and education

3.3 Families

3.3.2 Family forms

- How family forms differ in the UK and within a global context.

3.3.6 Divorce

- Changes in the pattern of divorce in Britain since 1945 and the consequences of divorce for family members and structures.

3.4 Education

3.4.1 Roles and functions of education

- Different views of the role and functions of education.

3.4.4 Processes within schools

- Processes within schools affecting educational achievement.

Paper 2: The sociology of crime and deviance and social stratification

3.5 Crime and deviance

3.5.1 The social construction of crime and deviance

- The social construction of concepts of crime and deviance and explanations of crime and deviance.

3.5.2 Social control

- Formal and informal methods of social control.

3.6 Social stratification

3.6.1 Functionalist theory of stratification

- Different views of the functionalist theory of social stratification.

3.6.4 Poverty as a social issue

- Different interpretations of poverty as a social issue.

Advance information:

- The 12 mark questions will cover these rough topics
- 12 mark questions make up 48% of the GCSE - there are four per paper
- Any other topic can come up for the shorter-mark questions
- If you struggle with timing, complete the 12 mark questions first