GCSE AQA Sociology Learning Journey

External Exam



Applications and evaluation of sex and gender

Applications and evaluation of social processes



Applications and evaluation of New Right ideas

Applications and evaluation of interactionism



Applications and evaluation of ethnicity

Applications and evaluation of social issues

Applications and evaluation of social structures

Applications and evaluation of feminism

Applications and evaluation of Marxism

Applications and evaluation of functionalism

Revision



Socio-economic class

Weber on class



Life chances



Poverty: measuring and explaining poverty



The underclass

Political power

Patriarchy: women and power



Social Stratification

Types of social stratification



Changes in law

Debates on crime: the media

Marx on class



The affluent worker: embourgeoisement

Relative deprivation



Informal social control

Globalisation and poverty



The welfare state

Power and authority



Data on crime: victim surveys and self-report studies

Violent crime and sentencing

Factors affecting criminal and deviant behaviour

Social protest

Sociological explanations for crime and deviance

Crime and Deviance in Society

Prison system, rehabilitation and punishment



Treatment of young offenders



White collar crime

Formal social control

Theories of crime: functionalists, Marxists, interactionists and feminists



Social construction of crime



Data on crime: official statistics

Difference between crime and deviance



Different types of schools – private vs state schools

Education policies

Social class and educational achievement

Gender and educational achievement

Education and ethnicity

Gender and subject choice



The relationship between education and capitalism

The Sociology of Education

Pre-lim

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Different types of schools



Functions of education

Educational achievement: external factors beyond school



How internal and external factors affect educational achievement of different groups



Changing relationships within families

Is the nuclear family still important in modern Britain?

Alternatives to the family

Family diversity

Feminist theories on the functions of the family

The functionalist theory of the family

Divorce and Theories of Divorce



The symmetrical family

Social Action theories

Conjugal role relationships: Marxist, functionalist and feminist views



Family forms: different types of family

Marxist theory on the functions of the family

Ethical issues: consent, anonymity, confidentiality and safety

Grounded theory and controlled conditions



What are relevant hypotheses?

Sampling: selecting a sample

The Stanford Prison experiment (1973)

Surveys: advantages and disadvantages

Observations

Qualitative research vs Quantitative research

Practical issues

What are appropriate aims?

Sociology Research Methods

The scientific method

Experiments: The Milgram Experiment (1963)



Ethical Problems

Questionnaire Design

Interviews:
- Structured and unstructured interviews
- Interviewer bias



Participant observation and non-participant observation

Mixed methods and triangulation

How do sociologist explain 'racial' prejudice?

Research Design



Race and ethnicity

Poverty as a social issue

What is interactionism?

Emile Durkheim

Nature versus Nurture

Sociological Debates

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Sex and Gender: Culture and Gender Roles

Social processes



Social structures

New Right ideas about society

What is feminism?



Karl Marx



Functionalism and Marxism

What is Sociology?

The Sociological Approach

