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## Sociology



Our two-year A-Level covers:

Paper 1: Education with Theory and Methods

Paper 2: Topic A Culture & Identity
Topic B Beliefs in Society

Paper 3: Crime & Deviance with Theory and Methods

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## BEFORE YOU START

- Key textbook: Collins AQA A Level Sociology AQA A Level Sociology Student Book 1: ISBN: 978-0-00-759747-5
- Key Website: Follow @tutor2usoc on Instagram or TikTok

Sociology is made up of different theoretical perspectives. Each perspective views society through its own unique 'lens'. i.e. they have their own explanations about things such as how we learn our culture or why people commit crime.

You need to know the specific differences between sociological perspectives.

Create a poster/guide that gives an overview of both the Functionalist and Marxist perspectives. You must include:

- What type of theory is it?
- · How does the theory view society?
- · Key thinkers and their ideas
- Include the key terms in the table opposite
- How influential has the theory been? Any strengths or limitations?

Use the following videos to help you:

Functionalism - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vuUX2-eByrc">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vuUX2-eByrc</a> Marxism - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6iaazUBqWzl">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vuUX2-eByrc</a> Marxism - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6iaazUBqWzl">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vuUX2-eByrc</a>

Using key terminology is an essential part of becoming a sociologist.

Find a definition for the following key term:

Patriarchy

Use your definition to write a FOR and AGAINST paragraph in response to the following question (include examples)

'Britian is a patriarchal society'

| Key Terms  |  |
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| Functionalism  | Marxism  |
| <ul> <li>Consensus</li> <li>Social bonds</li> <li>Social solidarity</li> <li>Organic analogy</li> <li>Functional prerequisites</li> <li>Value consensus</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Conflict</li> <li>Bourgeoisie</li> <li>Proletariat</li> <li>Means of production</li> <li>Infrastructure</li> <li>Superstructure</li> <li>False class<br/>consciousness</li> </ul> |

Sociology is an exciting subject that is clearly visible in our lived experiences. Reading around the subject and watching relevant documentaries is a good way to extend your knowledge of social issues.

Watch the documentary – School Swap: The Class Divide (episode 2) and answer the questions below <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HDvJXnbCAs8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HDvJXnbCAs8</a>

- 1. What percentage of the British population have attended a private school?
- 2. How much does it cost to attend Warminster school as a boarder?
- Make a list of the main differences between Warminster private school and Bemrose state school e.g. facilities, staffing, extracurricular activities
- How does attending a private school enhance the life chances of pupils e.g. job prospects, aspirations etc.

Research the following three sociology related careers

- Probation officer
- International aid worker
- Marketing executive

Outline the role and expectations in more detail

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