

WATCH.....

<https://www.ted.com/topics/sociology>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LK5J0-cM-HE>

<https://sociologicalscience.com/category/articles/>

<https://www.youtube.com/c/theschooloflife>
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READ...

<https://nateherbst-sociologycity.weebly.com/nature-v-nurture.html>

<https://thesociologicalreview.org/>

<https://sociologyreadingblog.wordpress.com/>

<https://www.economist.com/search?q=Sociology>

COURSE DETAILS...

The specification and other useful resources such as past papers can be found here:

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/sociology/as-and-a-level/sociology-7191-7192/changes-for-2022>

The 4 main topics are:

- Families & households
- Education
- Crime & deviance
- Beliefs in society

GET AHEAD.....

Our first big topic will be 'Families and Households'.

You can look this topic up on Seneca to get ahead before we start in September.

GET ORGANISED.....

Come prepared at the beginning of term, this will help you to keep your notes and any handouts organised. You will need a ring binder folder, plastic wallets, file dividers, pen, pencil, highlighters, lined paper and a calculator.

TASK.....**Task 1**

Please carry out some of your own research. Use the questions below to initiate mini interviews with family members and friends. Note down their answers to the questions and bring these with you to the first Sociology lesson of the academic year. You will get particularly interesting answers from the older generation. If you have grandparents who live a distance away, take the time to write to them and ask them if they could respond to the questions in writing. You need to interview at least 4 adults.

Questions to ask:

1. How would you define the term 'family'?
2. What is the point of a family? What functions does it perform?
3. What makes a 'good' family?
4. Is marriage important? Give reasons for your answer.
5. Are men and women's roles in the home equal? Should they be? If not, why not?
6. How has childhood changed in the last 20, 50 and 100 years?
7. How might you argue childhood has changed for the better/worse?
8. What does the government do to support families?

Task 2

Over the two year Sociology course we will be studying 4 main topics:

1. Families and households
2. Education
3. Crime and Deviance
4. Beliefs in Society

Read a newspaper regularly over the holidays - preferably a broadsheet newspaper e.g. The Guardian, Daily Telegraph, The Times. If your family does not regularly buy a newspaper ask someone who does to save their's for you. You do not need to read them on the day they are printed. If you cannot do this have a look at news articles online (BBC News).

Cut out /print articles relevant to the Sociological topics we will be studying – Family, Education, Crime and Beliefs in Society.

These are topics that are often written about in the press e.g. research about the changing roles of men and women in family life, the cost of childcare for working families, childhood obesity and reasons for it, lack of money in education, debates about types of schools - grammar schools vs comprehensives, crime statistics, rising violence in prisons, changing attitudes to religion in society and so on – these are just a few EXAMPLES of the sorts of articles you might find.

Aim to collect AT LEAST one article relevant to each topic (4 in total). Bring these with you to your first Sociology lesson. Be prepared to talk about what you have read.

These tasks need planning and executing over a number of days/weeks. Please don't leave it until the night before the start of term to get started!



SOCIOLOGY TRANSITION WORK



QUESTIONS, QUERIES AND COMMENTS.....

Use this section to make a note of anything you would like to ask your teacher about when the course starts in September.