



Subject	Year	Term
Sociology	13	2
Topic		
Theory		
Content (Intent)		
Prior Learning (Topic)		Beliefs in Society
- Develop an understanding of the theoretical foundations of sociology and how sociologists explain society. - Explore key sociological theories and perspectives, including Functionalism, Marxism, Feminism, Social Action Theory and Postmodernism. - Examine debates surrounding the relationship between structure and action in shaping human behaviour. - Investigate sociological views on consensus, conflict, power, inequality and social change. - Understand debates about the nature of sociology as a science and the role of values in sociological research. - Develop the ability to evaluate competing sociological theories and apply them to a range of social issues and contemporary debates.		
Future Learning (Topic)		N/A
What Knowledge and Skills will be taught (Implementation)		How will your understanding be assessed & recorded (Impact)
Skills - Builds upon theoretical knowledge developed throughout Families and Households, Education, Crime and Deviance, and Beliefs in Society. - Draws together knowledge from across the A Level course to develop synoptic understanding. - Strengthens the ability to compare and evaluate different sociological perspectives. - Develops critical thinking and the ability to engage with abstract sociological concepts and debates. - Enhances analytical and evaluative essay-writing skills required for high-mark examination responses. - Supports progression to higher education through the development of independent thinking, argument construction and critical evaluation.		- Whiteboards used for informative assessment in every lesson. - Regular low-stakes knowledge quizzes and retrieval activities. - Completion of examination-style questions in class and for homework. - Timed essays assessing knowledge, application, analysis and evaluation. - Teacher feedback through classwork, homework and assessments. - Self-assessment and peer-assessment activities.
How can parents help at home?		
- Encourage regular review of class notes and revision materials. - Discuss contemporary social issues and encourage students to consider different sociological viewpoints. - Test knowledge of key concepts, theories and sociologists. - Encourage wider reading around social and political issues. - Support the completion of homework and independent study tasks. - Help students organise folders, notes and revision resources. - Encourage students to justify and evaluate arguments using evidence. - Promote effective revision routines and study habits.		
Helpful further reading/discussion (including Reading and Vocabulary Lists)		
☞ AQA A Level Sociology Book Two – Webb et al. ☞ Sociology Review magazine. ☞ The Sociology Book – DK Publishing. ☞ Anthony Giddens – Sociology. ☞ AQA Sociology website resources and specification guidance.		