

SOCIOLOGY

ACCREDITING AUTHORITY | AQA

COURSE LEVEL 3 | A Level

WHAT IS SOCIOLOGY?

Social issues are always high on the agenda for broadcasting, political debate and public concern. Sociology is a subject which looks at contemporary UK society, including major trends and issues. It aims to uncover the motives and consequences of human social behaviour and social problems that exist within society today. The Sociology specification offers candidates the opportunity to develop the essential knowledge and understanding of central aspects of sociological thought and methods of research. It is designed to encourage candidates to demonstrate the application of a broad range of skills useful in lifelong learning and consider the integration of key sociological themes that run through the course programme:

- Socialisation, culture and identity
- Social differentiation, power and stratification

COURSE FOLLOWED

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Unit 1: Compulsory Topic – Education with Theory and Methods

Unit 2: Topics in Sociology – Families and Households

Unit 3: Compulsory Topic – Crime and Deviance with Theory and Methods

Unit 4: Topics in Sociology – The Media

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

The course is assessed by written examination.

AS Level consists of Unit 1 and 2 and is examined by two examination papers consisting of short answers & extended writing questions.

A Level consists of Units 1, 2, 3, and 4 is examined by three examination papers consisting of short answers & extended writing questions.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Grade 6 in English Language.

FUTURE PROSPECTS

Sociology develops an understanding of human nature as well as a number of transferable skills, both of which are essential in many areas of employment. Whether your future lies in private sector businesses or public sector agencies, Sociology will underpin your chosen pathway as it allows you to understand the nature and responsibility of citizenship and social behaviour. Material studied provides an appropriate foundation to further study in the Social Science areas of Higher Education and is useful in pursuing careers in the fields of Social Science (such as Sociology, Psychology & Research), Law, Criminology, Social Work, Politics, Uniformed and Government services, Teaching and Health and Social Care professions (such as Psychiatry).

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