

# SOCIOLOGY

Qualification: A-Level | Exam board: AQA



## SUBJECT OVERVIEW

**Sociology is the academic study of social behaviour, its origins, development, organization, and institutions.**

It is a social science that uses various methods of empirical investigation and critical analysis to develop a body of knowledge about social order, social disorder and social change.



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## YEAR ONE COURSE CONTENT

### Paper One

- Education & Methods in Context
- Research Methods

### Paper Two

- Families and Households

## YEAR TWO COURSE CONTENT

### Paper One

- Education & Methods in Context

### Paper Two

- Families and Households
- Beliefs in Society

### Paper Three

- Crime and Deviance with Theory and Methods

## WHAT DOES THIS COURSE PREPARE ME FOR?

**This subject provides excellent preparation for a number of career routes including further study at undergraduate level and careers in areas such as social work and social policy.**

Its emphasis on being able to engage with and analyse a range of abstract ideas, concepts and evidence develops the sort of flexibility of mind which is valuable for a range of different professions. Indeed, the ability to be able to develop and sustain an argument with clarity and precision is a core part of this subject.

## COURSE SUPPORT AND ENRICHMENT

**You will be offered revision workshops as a core part of this course.**

In addition, there will be opportunities for you to hear from a range of guest speakers, both inside and outside of The Sixth Form.

## ASSESSMENT

**Our assessments employ a variety of familiar question types, including short answer and extended writing/essays, which target knowledge and understanding, application, analysis and evaluation. Understanding of research methods, gained through classroom experience of practical sociology, will be assessed using the 'methods in context' format.**

### A-LEVEL

**AO1:** Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of: sociological theories, concepts and evidence sociological research methods.

**AO2:** Apply sociological theories, concepts, evidence of and research methods to a range of issues.

**AO3:** Analyse and evaluate sociological theories, concepts, evidence and research methods in order.

To present arguments, make judgements, draw conclusions.



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