

# AQA A Level Sociology Sixth Form Transition Booklet



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Specification details	7192 www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/sociology/as-and-a-level/sociology-7191-7192/specification-at-a-glance
Recommended online learning	<a href="http://revisesociology.com">revisesociology.com</a> simplysociology.com www.hectic-teacher.co.uk/sociology-support
Textbook Options (these are not compulsory to purchase)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>           Collins: Book One/Book Two           <div data-bbox="620 719 1219 1093" data-label="Image"> </div> </li> <li>           Ken Browne: Book One/Book Two           <div data-bbox="624 1173 1206 1532" data-label="Image"> </div> </li> <li>           AQA: Book One/Book Two (PLEASE NOTE – these books <b>do not</b> contain the culture &amp; identity unit, and the media unit you will study)           <div data-bbox="620 1680 1165 1998" data-label="Image"> </div> </li> </ul>

## **Welcome to A Level Sociology!**

You have chosen a subject that will change the way you look at the world around you, challenging you to think critically and re-consider the pre-conceived notions of society you already hold. Each topic will require you to study the classical sociological theories and apply them to the contemporary world around you. There is never 'one-way' of looking at things in sociology, it is all about taking different perspectives into account, which will also build your analytical skills (which are highly valued by universities and employers!)

### **Overview of the course:**

This is a two-year course. There are 3 A Level papers that are sat at the end of year 13, each 2-hous long. Overall grades are recorded on a scale A\*-E.

Year 12:

- Culture and Identity
- Education
- Research Methods

Year 13:

- The Media
- Crime and Deviance
- Theory and Methods

Look at the specification for more detail about these topics. You can find this at:  
[www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/sociology/as-and-a-level/sociology-7191-7192/specification-at-a-glance](http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/sociology/as-and-a-level/sociology-7191-7192/specification-at-a-glance)

### **Expectations of the course:**

- Lessons consist of taking notes, group discussions, group work and PowerPoint presentations. Please bring a folder to your first lesson – you'll eventually need one for each topic. Folder checks will take place regularly throughout the year.
- Homework consists of activities, note making, wider reading, research, past exam questions, power points and essays. It is expected that about 5 hours a week will be spent on sociology homework.
- Your progress will be reviewed on a regular basis. The review process will provide feedback at specific times throughout the year.
- You are expected to use the resources available to you in the library and are strongly encouraged to use libraries outside of school, not just the internet.
- USE YOUR STUDY TIME AND BE PRO-ACTIVE. This is a content-heavy course and you MUST be revising content CONTINUOUSLY.

**Task 1:**

Conduct some independent research and form a definition of what sociology is  
IN YOUR OWN WORDS!

Sociology is...

**Task 2:**

Watch the TedTalk by Sam Richards

(Link: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gWD6g9CV\\_sc&t=3s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gWD6g9CV_sc&t=3s))

Note down 5 things that you find interesting:

**1**

**2**

**3**

**4**

**5**

**Task 3:**

The first topic you will study is 'Culture and Identity'.

Start thinking about what makes up your own identity.

Draw a picture/diagram/image of any kind that represents all the aspects of your own identity:

**MY IDENTITY**

