

HUMANITIES FACULTY – SOCIOLOGY
 YEAR 10 – New AQA Specification

<i>Topic(s) covered</i>	<i>Resources available e.g. Website</i>
<p>The Sociological Approach</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sociological perspectives, Functionalism, Marxism, New Right, Feminism, Interactionism - The History of Sociology - Social structures - Key Sociologists, Durkheim, Parsons, Weber, Marx, Engels, Oakley - Social issues, crime, poverty - Conflict and consensus - Quantitative and qualitative approaches / research - Culture - Nature vs. Nurture - Sex and gender - Race and ethnicity - Facts and values 	<p>Newspaper articles Video – Child of our Time www.aqa.org.uk</p>
<p>The Family</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Functions of the Family - Forms / types of family - Conjugal roles - Changing relationships in families - Criticisms of families - Divorce - Dark side of the family - Sociological perspectives, Functionalism, Marxism, New Right, Feminism, Interactionism 	<p>Wife Swap Secret Life of A Four Year Old www.aqa.org.uk</p>
<p>Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Functions / the role of education - School diversity - Alternative education - Private vs. state school - Educational achievements, class, gender, ethnicity - Internal and external factors - Education policies and their impact - Methods in context - Sociological perspectives, Functionalism, Marxism, New Right, Feminism, Interactionism 	<p>Film - Dangerous Minds Newspaper articles www.aqa.org.uk</p>

<p>Sociological Research Methods</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Research design - Pilot studies, triangulation, longitudinal studies, ethnography - Scientific methods - Sampling - Case studies - Small-scale research, large-scale research - Practical, theoretical and ethical problems with research - Primary methods, questionnaires, interviews, social surveys, observations, experiments - Secondary methods, official statistics, document analysis 	
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<p>Crime and Deviance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Key words and definitions - Formal / informal rules - Social order and social control (formal and informal) - Sociological explanations for criminal and deviant behaviour - Biological and psychological explanations for criminal and deviant behaviour - Statistical data – official statistics - Social constructions of crime - Crime and age - Crime and gender - Crime and ethnicity - Crime and social class - Victims of crime - Influence of criminal behaviour on communities / society - White-collar and corporate crime - Youth crime - Sociological perspectives, Functionalism, Marxism, New Right, Feminism 	<p>Visit to a court Newspaper articles National statistics online aqa.org.uk</p>
<p>Mass Media</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Key words and examples - Broadcast and electronic media - Technological advancements - Newspaper readership – tabloid / broadsheet - TV - Internet 	<p>Film – Bowling for Columbine Newspaper articles</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Effects of the media on their audiences, hypodermic syringe approach, uses and gratification approach - Decoding approach - Role of the media in socialisation processes - The media and politics - Press ownership - Pluralist / conflict approach - News selection and presentation - news value, profit motive, advertising, legal constraints - Ethnicity / gender in the media - Distribution of power - Deviancy amplification - Contemporary social issues 	
<p>Social Inequality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Social stratification, class, age, gender, ethnicity - Life chances - Youth / childhood / adulthood - Wealth and income distribution - Social mobility - Poverty - Sociological perspective, Functionalism, Marxism, New Right, Feminism 	<p>aqa.org.uk/subjects Newspaper articles on welfare state Films – Billy Elliott, Brassed Off, The Full Monty Documentaries on gender / class inequality and racial discrimination</p>

General Resources

www.bbc.co.uk

www.sociology.org.uk

www.sociologyonline.co.uk

www.abacon.com/sociology/soclinks

www.s-cool.co.uk

www.enfield-observatory.org.uk

www.top20sociology.com

www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zbbw2hv

www.theweek.co.uk

www.britsoc.co.uk/what-is-sociology

www.top20sociology.com