

A Level Sociology Families

Foundations

What is a family? What is a household? Different forms of the family and marriage is the family a universal institution?



Perspectives

Functionalism, Marxism, Feminism and personal life approaches to the family.



Social Policy

Laws and policies affecting the family. Who do they support? Differences between left wing and right-wing politics



Family patterns

Patterns of marriage, divorce and birth rates. The growth of lone parent and reconstituted families. Family and household diversity.



Gender Roles

Roles within the family. Domestic labour and power. Are co-habiting couples more equal?



Childhood

Is Childhood a social construction? What is childhood like in contemporary Britain? Is it disappearing?



Demography

Birth rates and death rates. Migration and globalization.



Topic review

Review of all topics and practice exam skills in preparation for year 12 mocks.



Methods

Methods for studying sociology. Questionnaires, interviews, observation. Primary and secondary sources and the strengths and weaknesses of each.



End of year 1

Congratulations! You made it!



Year 1

A Level Sociology Education

The Role of education

Looking at different perspectives on education and what they view the role of education is in contemporary society.



Social class

Is contemporary Britain meritocratic? What are the difference in education achievement between social classes.



Ethnicity

Ethnicity and education? Language, racism and teacher labelling. Also looking at the ethnocentric curriculum.



Methods

The methods sociologists use to study society. Including questionnaires and observation. Issues with validity, reliability and representation



Topic Review

Review of the whole education unit including key terms and exam skills.

Year 1



Organisation

School processes and the teacher and learning context. Looking at internal factors that can affect attainment, e.g, Halo effect, setting, educational triage.



Gender

Gender and the underachievement of boys...but don't forget the girls? Its links to class and ethnicity.



Policy

Comparing historical social policy and its aims. Did these policies create equality? Policies that attempt to raise standards.



Methods in Context

Applying different methods for researching a particular area of education and the advantages and disadvantages of each



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