










Curriculum Content Map

GCSE Sociology









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	TERM 1		TERM 2		TERM 3	
Unit title & description	Unit 1: Key Concepts		Unit 1 Research methods		Unit 1: Families & Households	
Knowledge 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>What is sociology?</li><li>What makes us human - naturevs nurture</li><li>What makes us human -culture</li><li>What makes us human -socialisation</li><li>Agencies of socialisation</li><li>What happens to unsocialisedchildren?</li><li>What is cultural diversity?</li><li>How are gender roles sociallyconstructed?</li><li>Gender role socialisation</li><li>Identity - ethnicity</li><li>Identify - social class</li><li>Why are people treateddifferently?</li><li>What is social control?</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>How do sociologists conducttheir research?</li><li>How do sociologists plan theirresearch?</li><li>Why do some sociologists usequestionnaires?</li><li>Why do some sociologists useinterviews?</li><li>What are samples?</li><li>Why do some sociologists useobservations?</li><li>How do sociologists evaluateresearch?</li></ul>		<b>Unit 1: Families &amp; Households</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Families around the world</li><li>Functionalist view of the family</li><li>Marxist view of the family</li><li>Changing husband wiferelationships</li><li>Inequalities between husbandsand wives</li><li>Gender roles in the family Reasons for decline in marriage</li><li>Reasons for the increase indivorce</li><li>Is divorce damaging society?</li><li>How has childhood changed overtime?</li><li>Reasons for the decrease in familysize</li><li>What roles do older people havein the family?</li><li>Is the nuclear family still the idealfamily type?</li><li>A brief history of the family inBritain</li></ul>	
Sequencing - why is this taught and why now?	<p>The following content is taught in year 11 as part of Unit 1: Understanding social processes</p> <p><b>Key concepts</b> SoW introduces essential vocabulary which allows students to begin effectively analysing society. By understanding concepts such as culture and identity and processes such as socialisation, students will begin using their sociological imagination, which they will then be able to apply to everyday life.</p>		<p>All sociologists must understand the process of <b>sociological research</b>, including practical ethical and theoretical issues the attractions of data which iseither high in validity or reliability, the difference between qualitative and quantitative data and the strengths and weaknesses of different research methods. These methods can then be applied to the study of education and families.</p>		<p><b>Families &amp; Households</b> is chosen because its starting point is primary socialisation, which is one of the most important Key concepts. It allows students to think critically about their own family life, to compare it to others in society andto critically assess how the family has changed over time.</p> <p>During this term in <b>Families &amp; Households</b> our students will think critically aboutchanges to the family and their potential impact on society: is divorce damaging for society? Is childhood disappearing? What are the implications of an ageing society and how are the roles of older people changing? Our students will build on key terms they have learned during term 1 (primary socialisation, nuclear families etc) whilst adding such as inadequate socialisation, beanpole families and family diversity.</p>	
Retrieval practice	<p>Students will complete a range of activities to retrieve learning from prior lessons. These will include key word quizzes, correct the error, odd one out, true or false, gap fills and feedback on three part homeworks.</p>		<p>Students will complete a range of activities to retrieve learning from prior lessons. These will include key word quizzes, correct the error, odd one out, true or false, gap fills and feedback on three part homeworks.</p> <p>During the research methods topic, students will have the opportunity to apply their knowledge of sociological research methods to both education and families&amp; households by considering the strengths and weaknesses of different research methods for researching either the family or schools.</p>		<p>Students will complete a range of activities to retrieve learning from prior lessons. These will include key word quizzes, correct the error, odd one out, true or false, gap fills and feedback on three part homeworks.</p> <p>During <b>Families</b> topic, students can revisit the following: the process of socialisation, the concept of culture and cultural diversity, gender, gender roles and gender role socialisation, gender inequality and forms of inequality</p> <p>During the Families topic, students can recap the following concepts: primary socialisation, nuclear families, lone parent families,</p>	
Skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of sociological theories, concepts, evidence and methods (AO1)</li><li>Apply knowledge and understanding of sociological theories, concepts, evidence and methods (AO2)</li><li>Analyse and evaluate sociological theories, concepts, evidence and methods in order to construct arguments, make judgements and draw conclusions (AO3)</li></ul>					
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Knowledge	<b>Unit 1: Education</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Functionalist view of education</li><li>• Marxist view of education</li><li>• Feminist view of education</li><li>• Differet types of schools</li><li>• Class - material deprivation</li><li>• Class - cultural deprivation</li><li>• Class - school factors</li><li>• Class - labelling</li><li>• Class - anti-school subcultures</li><li>• Ethnicity - school factors</li><li>• Ethnicity - home factors</li><li>• Gender - girl’s achievement</li><li>• Gender - boy’s underachievement</li><li>• Hidden curriculum</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is crime and deviance?</li><li>• What is social control?</li><li>• What are the patterns in offending andvictimisation?</li><li>• What are the different ways of measuringcrime?</li><li>• What is the functionalist view of crime?</li><li>• What is the Marxist view of crime?</li><li>• How does Labelling Theory explain criminalbehaviour?</li><li>• What is the relationship between crime and themedia?</li><li>• How do subcultural theories explain crime?</li><li>• Why do men commit more crime than women?</li><li>• Do men really commit more crime thanwomen?</li><li>• What are the links between crime andethnicity?</li><li>• What is institutional racism?</li><li>• What the crimes of the powerful?</li><li>• How fair is our police and courts?</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Recap on Key Concepts</li><li>• Recap on Families &amp;Households</li><li>• Recap on Education</li><li>• Recap on Research Methods</li></ul>	
Sequencing - why is this taught and why now?	During <b>Education</b> , students will begin to think critically about the purpose of education, how they are educated and whether all students enjoy a positive experience in schools. New concepts will include material and cultural deprivation, labelling, anti-school subcultures and institutional racism. These concepts will also prove useful during the rest of Y10 and all of Y11.		The following content is taught in year 11 as part of Unit 2: Understanding social structures  Crime is taught first primarily because it consolidates extended writing opportunities but also because it provides a high level of student engagement. Students have the opportunity to consider different sociologicalexplanations for crime, the emergence of gangs, the relationship between young people and the police, andthe way in which crime is shown in the media.			
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Knowledge 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>What is social stratification?</li><li>What are the functionalist view onstratification?</li><li>Marx and Weber’s views on stratification</li><li>What are the feminist views onstratification?</li><li>What is power?</li><li>What is authority?</li><li>Does social class still matter in modernBritain?</li><li>How does social class affect our lifechances?</li><li>How does gender affect life chances?</li><li>How does age act as a form of inequality?</li><li>How does ethnicity affect life chances?</li><li>How does disability affect life chances?</li><li>How does sexuality affect life chances?</li><li>What is poverty?</li><li>Who is likely to experience poverty?</li><li>What are the explanations for poverty?</li><li>How does globalisation affect poverty?</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Recap on Key Concepts</li><li>Recap on Families &amp;Households</li><li>Recap on Education</li><li>Recap on Research Methods</li><li>Recap on Crime and Deviance</li><li>Recap on Stratification &amp;Differentiation</li></ul>		
Sequencing - why is this taught and why now?	This is the final unit which is taught because it introduces new concepts and debates whilst also revisiting ideas which have already been discussed elsewhere on the course. Students are asked to consider the causes and consequences of stratification as it replies to gender, ethnicity, social class, age, disability and sexuality. They are also asked to consider debates about the influence of these factors on individuals’ life chances and the causes and consequences of poverty		Synoptic revision tasks to cover gender,ethnicity, social class and sociological theories		
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