



TEACHERS SAY...

A Level Sociology offers a great combination for studying many other A Levels. Students can combine with a mainly science programme or take a more social science route.

YOUR NOTES

Course Overview:

A level Sociology will help you to make sense of the society we live in and understand the cultural and identity issues which affect us all. You will learn a number of skills including the use of evidence to support your arguments, how to investigate facts, and critical thinking.

Topics covered

The first year will set the foundations of sociology looking at education, research methods and optional content. In year 2 you will delve more deeply into education with theory and methods, crime and deviance, as well as choosing from further optional content.

First year of A level	Second year of A level
Compulsory content: Education Methods in context Research methods	Compulsory content: Education with theory and methods Crime and deviance with theory and methods
Optional content You choose one of the following topics in the exam: Option one: Culture and Identity Families and Households Health Work, Poverty and welfare	Optional content You choose one of the following topics in the exam: Option two: Beliefs in society Global development The Media Stratification and Differentiation

A level Sociology

Examination Board:



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Entry requirements: Five 9 to 4 (A* to C) with a minimum 4 in English

Type of Assessment:

The Sociology course is assessed solely by examination. Students will sit three two hour exam papers that each account for one third of your A level. The exams consist of multiple choice, short answer and extended writing questions. There is no coursework.

This course goes well with:

Psychology, English and Humanities

Possible degree options

According to bestcourse4me.com, the top six degree courses taken by students who have an A level in Sociology are:

- Sociology
- English Studies
- Law
- Psychology
- Business Studies
- Teaching

What can I do now to help me prepare for my course?

The start of the A level course is always challenging, but you will find these tasks aid the transition from GCSE.

Keep up to date with the news media; written and broadcast.

Visit A Level Sociology websites and try out the activities and reading available e.g. Sociology Central. Complete the activities on Families & Households available online at www.sociology.uk.net, the website for the textbook. This will prepare you for the first unit of study at A level.

<http://www.sociology.org.uk/>

Sociology central, excellent website with many resources

www.sociology.uk.net

Website of the textbook, lots of useful activities directly linked to the course.

<https://revisesociology.com/good-sociology-sites/>

Good starting point for many sociological websites

<https://sociologytwynham.com/>

Plenty of revision notes on the key chapters from the book.

<http://www.s-cool.co.uk>

A level Sociology revision guides and question banks covering History of the Sociology of Education, Labelling Theory, Poverty and all core A level Sociology topics

Literacy, when you...

..read around the subject, and use several sources of information to write essays.

Numeracy, when you ...

..analyse data using statistical techniques.

ICT, when you

..research current theories, create presentations and complete assignments.

Possible Career options:

Studying an A-level Sociology related degree at university gives you all sorts of exciting career options, including:

Social work

Human resources

Advertising

Policing

Marketing

Journalism

Broadcast media

Law

Teaching