

Subject: **A-level Sociology**

Exam Board: AQA www.aqa.org.uk

Course Number: Specification 7192

Course Overview:

Are we products of nature or nurture?

How does the hidden hand of society influence our behaviour?

Is there such a thing as free will?

Is the education system fair?

What is the function of the family in modern society?

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Are criminals born or made?

Why are women paid less than men?

Is religion disappearing or changing?

What is the role of the media in society?

How is this A Level assessed?:

Unit Code	Unit Title	Assessment Details	Assessment Weighting
Paper 1	Education with Theory and Method	4.1.1 Sociology of Education (50 marks) 4.2.2 Methods in Context (20 marks) 4.3.3 Theory and Method (10 marks) 2 hour written exam 80 marks	33.3%
Paper 2	Topics in Sociology	4.2.2 Families and Households (40 marks) 4.2.5 Beliefs in Society (40 marks) 2 hour written exam 80 marks	33.33%
Paper 3	Crime & Deviance	4.3.1 Crime and Deviance (50 marks) 4.3.2 Theory and Method (30 marks) 2 hour written exam 80 marks	33.33%

Possible career options

Studying sociology at university can give you a whole host of exciting career options, including:

Social work - Human resources – Advertising – Policing – Marketing – Journalism – Law – Teaching and many more.

Where will AS and A-level Sociology take you?

Possible degree options

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

Sociology, Psychology, English studies, Business studies, Law, Teaching.

Other A Level Subjects which support academic attainment/ complement learning:

Psychology, English, Economics, Politics, History.

Entry Requirements

5 in GCSE English Language.

Essential Textbook incl ISBN

AQA A Level Sociology: Book One. Webb et al. Paperback

ISBN-10: 0954007913

AQA A Level Sociology Book 2. Webb et al. Paperback

ISBN-10: 0954007921

Recommended supplementary resources- websites, blogs, journals:

Sociology Review – Phillip Allan.

Mr Hickman's blog www.unconsciouscurriculum.com

Course specific equipment- include place to purchase and typical cost or estimate:

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Paper

Revision materials

Out of lesson learning including trips and visits (cost?):

Trips and speakers.

Lead Teacher to contact:

Mr Stephen Hickman, B8.

Quote from current student- include their name

"I enjoy sociology as it allows me to question society's norms and values and why we live our lives the way we do. It also reveals the dark side of society and the inequalities that are present." Louisa. F.

"Sociology has given me a wider understanding of the world around me, where I am able to question what is wrong with parts of society and investigate how we could fix them." Rohan L.