



Preparing for A Level Sociology

A Level Specification

At Shireland, we study Education, Families & Households, in year one. then move on to Beliefs in Society and Crime & Deviance in year two. Click the link to access the spec and see what you will study. [Link](#)



Key Sociological Perspective

A fundamental part of understanding Sociology is looking at society through the lens of a Sociological Perspective. It is the equivalence of red, yellow or blue tinted glasses. Investigate how each of the 5 perspectives views society. [Link](#)

Research Methods

Research Methods is another important element of sociology. Learning about society requires researchers to use a variety of methods to gather information about the society we live in. Using the [link](#) explain what is meant by **Primary & Secondary** data. You will also need to explain these key word in Research Methods: **Qualitative, Quantitative, Reliability, Validity.**

Essay Task

In Sociology, each point should be fully explored using **PEEEL**. This will allow you to DISCUSS information effectively.

P – point (make sure it is relevant to question)

E – explain (elaborate, analyse, review the implications of your point)

E – evidence (to support the point)

E – Evaluation – (strength, weakness, analysis, comparisons)

L – link back to the question itself - explain how the above answers the question. Or link to the next paragraph or point.

Question:

Has the Coronavirus had a completely NEGATIVE impact on British society and the world?

If you are considering studying Sociology next year then these are activities that you should seriously consider completing over the next few months to prepare yourself as this will be a brand new subject for you in terms of content and skills

The activities are divided into:

Essential - suggested as good preparation for the course.

Recommended - suggested to support the essential activities for the course

Optional - suggested to support wider learning around the subject; you are expected to do this independently at A level.

Programs to watch

[Will Britain ever have a Black PM](#)



[Childhood Today](#)



[Are Religions Unfair to Women](#)



[Life on Death Row](#)



What do you know about Britain?

What is the population of the UK

What is the percentage of women in the England

What percentage of the England is None White

How many millionaires live in the England

How many billionaires live in England.

Knowledge you need to acquire as a Sociologist

[Capitalism, Socialism and Communism Explained](#)

Online Reading

[BBC News](#) is a great source to get contemporary update news on Education, Religion, Crime and Family life.

[Guardian Newspaper Online](#) is a brilliant resource of relevant update information of society and the world at large. This will provide you with a wide perspective of society that many other news outlets ignore.

[Why Study Sociology](#) is a link that will explain the benefits of studying sociology and guide you to where it can lead in the future regarding careers and other opportunities.

[Sociology is important](#) because it offers solutions to many of societies problems. It is brave enough to tackle the issues that matter to everyday people.

TIPS for being successful in Sociology

- You must always look at both sides of the argument! Sociology is a subject that requires you to think critically constantly. To be successful, you must have an inquiring mind and try read between the lines of the curriculum.
- Try and make links between your lessons and the information you are given. Successful sociology students are able to reflect on multiple aspects of the course and link them together.
- Be organized! You MUST stay on top of your notes and keep them organized properly. This will help with your revision
- Revise from the start. Sociology lessons will constantly provide you with a new perspective on the world around you. You need to be consistent in recapping this when not in lesson.