

A LEVEL SOCIOLOGY:

TASKS

TASK1: What is Sociology? Use the internet to find out about what Sociologists do, where they work, what influences do they have in society etc - Include this information in a table.

TASK 2: Write a summary paragraph on each of the units you will study (Families and households / Education / beliefs in society / crime and deviance) This should be no more than 1 side of A4 paper (ie all 4 paragraphs on one side of A4).

TASK 3: Sociological issues and perspectives - Social class is an important aspect of many of the topics and issues in Sociology. Write a paragraph on what we mean by social class? How would you define social class? Is it income, wealth, where you live, occupation, the school you went to? How important do you think class is in today's society?

TASK 4: Listen to the [podcast with Dr Lisa McKenzie](#) and answer the following questions:

1. Why is it important that we have working class sociologists?
2. Do you think the background of the sociologist will impact on the research that they do? How?
3. Lisa McKenzie lived for 20 years in the community that she studied, she was an 'insider'. Can you think of a positive and a negative impact on the research of being an 'insider'?

RESEARCH

Choose an event that changed society and discuss how it has affected families/education/religion and crime. Below is some suggested events you can choose from, however, if there is something you would really like to research and study you can choose something different. We are interested in seeing your enthusiasm for Sociology. Covid-19 Pandemic 9/11 September attacks Hiroshima Atomic Bomb 1945 Invention of the world wide web Women Get The Vote (Equal Franchise Act 1928) When researching your event please consider and make reference to the following questions; Families - what it meant/ means for rich and poor families, Education - who benefits, who suffers? class differences etc Crime and Deviance - which types of crime have increased or decreased and why? Beliefs in Society - what religious groups say? Please present your research in a mind map (1 side of A3) that can be discussed with your teacher/peers in September.

RECOMMENDED READING

AQA Sociology [website](#); Here you will find lots to read about your Sociology A Level

WEBSITES AND ONLINE LEARNING MATERIALS

Click [here](#) to listen to the podcast with Dr Lisa McKenzie