A Level Sociology

Welcome to A Level sociology here are a few resources that you can access to get you thinking about the topics we cover in the first year. In the first year we focus on Families and Households and Education. I have provided a link to the AQA website so you can have a look at the specification we follow:

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/sociology/as-and-a-level/sociology-7191-7192>

Reading:

<https://www.hoddereducation.co.uk/magazines/magazines-extras/sociology-review-extras>

You will find a range of resources on this site, have a look at the posters, they look at a range of issues in society, there are also some PowerPoint presentations on various topics. I have selected a couple of examples of the posters that relate to the first year course, but feel free to access any of the others on the site that you think look interesting.

Parenting in the digital age - <https://www.hoddereducation.co.uk/media/Documents/magazine-extras/Sociology%20Review/Soc%20Rev%20Vol%2029%20No%201/SociologyReview_29_1_Centrespread.pdf?ext=.pdf>

Measuring child happiness - <https://www.hoddereducation.co.uk/media/Documents/magazine-extras/Sociology%20Review/Soc%20Rev%20Vol%2028%20No%201/SociologyReview_28_1_Centrespread.pdf?ext=.pdf>

The global gender gap - <https://www.hoddereducation.co.uk/media/Documents/magazine-extras/Sociology%20Review/Soc%20Rev%20Vol%2027%20No%203/SociologyReview_27_3_Centre.pdf?ext=.pdf>

Working families - <https://www.hoddereducation.co.uk/media/Documents/magazine-extras/Sociology%20Review/Soc%20Rev%20Vol%2027%20No%201/SociologyReview_27_1_Centrespread.pdf?ext=.pdf>

Revise sociology gives you an overview of the topics we cover, so have a look at the intro to sociology, sociological theories, research methods and then the key topics, families and households and education - <https://revisesociology.com>

This website also has some resources that you might find interesting, again look at families and households and education - <http://www.sociology.org.uk/index.htm>

The Office for National Statistics provides a lot of data that sociologist use, have a look for some data on families and education, also issues such as gender, ethnicity and social class - <https://www.ons.gov.uk>

Finally, this website has a whole range of interesting research related to all aspects of society, click on politics and society for ones that relate more closely to sociology - <https://theconversation.com/us>

Video Links:

Here are some documentaries that you might find interesting that give some insight into some of the topics we cover:

School swap Korea style - gives you a cross-cultural comparison of education in the UK and in another culture - <https://youtu.be/aZsYdesxVCg>

School swap Class divide - looks at the private and comprehensive systems and the differences between them - <https://youtu.be/wRu0OlQ0JkY>

Poor kids BBC – looks at family life in Britain for families living in poverty, this is part one, you should see the other parts listed too - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8BN7ml6b-e4>

Windrush generation (immigration and families) - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GamxNrkwqMw>

Hopefully this will give you an insight into what sociology is all about and get you ready to start your new course in September.