# GCSE Sociology (AQA)

### What does the study of sociology teach us about social stratification?

- Functionalist theory of social stratification
- Class
- Life chances
- Social mobility
- Poverty
- Power and authority
- Power relationships

# What does the study of sociology teach us about education?

- Marxist approach to education
- Types of school and alternatives
- Social class and educational achievement
- Internal factors in schools
- Ethnicity and education
- Feminist approach to education
- Gender issues in education

#### Revision

Students will sit their GCSE exams early in May.
Students will revise the 2-year course through targeted

course through targeted independent study in the lead-up to these exams.

### What does the study of sociology teach us about crime and deviance?

- Social constructs
- Crime data
- Functionalist analysis of causes of crime
- Interactionist and Marxist theories of crime
- Class, ethnicity and age in relation to crime
- Social control
- Public debates on crime and sentencing

# What does the study of sociology teach us about families?

- What is a family?
- Family diversity
- Reasons for family diversity
- Is the Nuclear family still important in Britain?
- Alternatives to the family
- Changes in family structure over time
- Roles and relationships within families and symmetrical family
- Functionalism
- Functions of the family and conjugal roles
- Marxist perspective
- Feminist perspective
- Marriage, arranged and forced marriage
- Divorce and theories

## Year 10 Term 1 What is Sociology?

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The sociological approach

Values, Norms, Laws, Gender, Sex, Race, Ethnicity

What research methods do Sociologists use? Introduction to research: Methods, Pilot studies and scientific method, Observation, Practical problems, Ethical Problems. Case studies, longitudinal studies

