

GCSE Sociology

Revision list

Applied Methods of Sociological Enquiry

- Interpreting Data
- The Process of Research Design

Crime and Deviance

- Sources of Data on Crime (recorded crime, victim surveys, report studies. Dark figure of crime)
- Sociological Theories and Explanations of Deviance and Criminal Behaviour (Marxist, Functionalist, Feminist, Labelling, New Right)
- Patterns of Criminal and Deviant Behaviour (Social class, age, gender, ethnicity)
- Social Control (informal and formal)
- Social Construction of crime (cultural, historical)
- Concepts of Crime and Deviance

Education

- Factors Affecting Educational Achievement (setting, labelling, peer groups)
- Patterns of Educational Achievement (gender, ethnicity, social class)
- Process Inside Schools (labelling, setting, peer groups, national curriculum. Hidden curriculum,)
- Sociological Theories of the Role of Education (Marxist, Functionalist, Labelling, Feminist)

Families

- Criticisms of Family
- Sociological Theories of the Role of the Family (Marxist, Functionalist, Feminist)
- Social Changes and Family Relationships (LEFTINS)

- Social Changes and Family Structures (LEFTINS)
- Family Diversity and Different Family Forms in the UK and within a Global Context

Key Concepts and Process of Cultural Transmission

- The Process of Socialisation (primary, secondary, nature, nurture)
- Debates over the Acquisition of Identity (gender, ethnicity, nationality, social class, gender)
- Key Sociological Concepts (multiple and role conflict, status, informal/formal social control, agents of socialisation)

Social Differentiation and Stratification

- Poverty as a Social Issue (absolute and relative poverty)
- Factors which may Influence Access to Life Chances and Power
- Equality/Inequality in Relation to Class, Gender, Ethnicity, Age, Disability and Sexuality
- Different Forms and Sources of Power and Authority
- Sociological Theories of Stratification (Functionalist, Marxist, Weber, Feminists, New Right)

Sociological Research Methods

- Ethical Issues Affecting Research
- Practical Issues Affecting Research
- Sampling Processes
- Methods of Research
- Usefulness of Different Types of Data