

Sociology A-level

Task 1: Research and write a summary of the following sociological theories. Make sure you include, key people, concepts and ideas and their views on education and the family:

- Marxism
- Functionalism
- Feminism
- The New Right

Task 2: Define the following sociological key terms and write them in a sentence:

- Nature
- Nurture
- Culture
- Norms
- Values
- Primary Socialisation
- Secondary Socialisation
- Social Class
- Age
- Gender
- Ethnicity

Task 3: Read a newspaper article on either the family or education and write a short paragraph to summarise the main point of the article.

Task 4: Do you agree or disagree with the following statements? Make sure you justify your response:

- Children who grow up in families with two parents are more successful as adults than children that grow up in single parent families.
- People should have to pass a test before they are allowed to become parents.
- Girls work harder at school than boys.
- A student's social class is the most important factor in determining their exam results.
- Private schools should be abolished.
- Schools are no longer necessary as we can learn everything we need to on the internet.
- Couples are equal within the household (both share responsibilities).
- The definition of family has changed over time.
- We can choose our family.
- Marriage has become less popular in society.
- Experiences of childhood have changed since the last 10 years.

Task 5: Write a response to the following question: How do you think education will be different in: a) 10 years b) 100 years

You will be completing a **mini test** within the first few weeks of the course on the information gathered from these tasks, so please make sure they completed and handed in to Ms. Hill, Ms. Olasimbo or Ms. Hine in your first lesson.

Have a fantastic summer (you deserve it) and see you in September!

Remember *sociology is everywhere!*

