

Paper 1- The Sociology of Families and Education

Date: Friday 8th May Duration: 1hr 45, 100 marks

Content: Families, education, relevant theory and methodology

Paper 2-The Sociology of Crime and Deviance and Social Stratification

Date: Friday 15th May Duration: 1hr 45, 100 marks

Content: Crime and deviance, social stratification, relevant theory and methodology

Revision resources:

Five separate revision guides can be found on their Google Classroom page along with a booklet of the **25 Key Studies** you need to know.

If you wish to purchase a revision guide: AQA GCSE 9-1 Sociology All-in-One Complete Revision and Practice: Ideal for the 2024 and 2025 exams (Collins GCSE Grade 9-1 Revision) Paperback – 23 Jun. 2022 ISBN: 978-0008535025 (can be found on Amazon)

You can also find revision guides on: **Student shared area >sociology>GCSE>Revision guides**

Top Tips:

- Ensure you are using the correct **technique** for the questions. Start by **highlighting the command words** in the question and checking how many marks it is worth.
- With 3 and 4 mark answers, get **straight to the point**, don't rephrase the question. Add in a **perspective** to support your answer whenever possible.
- 12 mark questions require a detailed response. Include an introduction if you have key terms to define or statistics to share. Include **at least 1 PEALE paragraph that agrees with the question and 1 PEALE paragraph that disagrees with the statement**, you then need to add **a third PEALE paragraph which either agrees/disagrees with the statement**. You must include at least 2 different sociological perspectives. Come to a conclusion and decide to what extent sociologists agree with the statement based on the evidence you have discussed in your answer.
- **Identify your areas of weakness/ gaps in knowledge** and attend the intervention session that covers that one (more details to follow)
- Get **someone to test you** on the key terms and studies. Make yourself **cue cards** with a question on one side and the answer on the other.
- Try as many past questions as you can. Bring them to your teacher who will be happy to give you feedback on them.
- Don't forget that your **revision guide** contains practice exam questions. If you complete these hand them in so that you can get feedback. The exam board we use is AQA. Should you wish to attempt a whole past paper you can download them from www.aqa.org.uk

The 25 key studies you must know in preparation for your exam:

Families:

1. Delphy & Leonard – feminist perspective of the family
2. Ann Oakley – conventional family
3. Parsons – primary socialisation and stabilisation of adult personalities
4. The Rapoport's – family diversity and CLOGS
5. Young & Wilmott – symmetrical family
6. Zaretsky – Marxist perspective of the family

Education:

1. Ball – labelling in education
2. Ball Bowe & Gewirtz – market forces and parental choice
3. Bowles & Gintis – correspondence principle
4. Durkheim – social solidarity and teaching specialist skills
5. Halsey, Heath & Ridge
6. Parsons – meritocracy, role allocation, universalistic and particularistic values
7. Paul Willis – subcultures and 'the lads'

Crime and Deviance

1. Becker – labelling and deviant career
2. Pat Carlen – gender and class deals
3. Cohen – deviant subcultures
4. Heidensohn – control theory
5. Merton – strain theory (anomie)

Social Stratification:

1. Davis & Moore – functionally important roles
2. Devine – affluent workers
3. Marx – theory of Marxism
4. Murray – the 'underclass'
5. Townsend – measuring poverty
6. Walby – power and feminism
7. Weber – market situation, power and status

For each key study you should know:

- The perspective
- Research method used
- Sampling method (including gender and number)
- Their findings/what they studied
- At least two criticisms.