



# Sociology

## What do you need to know?

- The course is AQA GCSE Sociology (New course, code 8192)
- There are 2 units
- Unit 1 is examined in Year 11 and is worth 50% of the final grade
- Unit 2 is also examined in Year 11 and is worth 50% of the final grade
- There is no coursework or controlled assessment
- More information found at: <http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/sociology/gcse/sociology-8192>

## What happens in Year 10?

- Students will now be studying for the Unit 1 examination, and will be sitting a mock exam at the end of the year.
- The examination covers the in-depth topics of The Family (paper 1) and Education)- students will be expected to answer extended writing/ essay based answers.
- There will also be short response and source based questions on relevant areas of social theory and methodology

## What do students need to do to succeed?

- Come to lessons with a positive 'can do' approach, prepared to learn and with all equipment needed.
- Complete all homework (at least 1 written exam style question every 2 weeks plus varied activities).
- Watch documentaries based on the Unit 1 topics (Family- changes within it/ changes in roles between men and women/ different family forms. Education- inequality in education/ the purpose of education).
- Keep up to date with events in the news that relate to these. Reading a newspaper at least once a week can give students valuable up to date examples of current issues.
- Use revision guides given to students in the run up to the examinations (these are also available on the VLE).
- Revising keywords regularly/ ensuring revision home work is completed.
- Repeating extended writing if target grade or above is not met.
- Attending revision sessions in the run up to the exam.

## How is it assessed?

- 2 x written exams, each exam 1 hour 45 minutes
- 100 marks
- 50% of GCSE