

# A-LEVEL SOCIOLOGY

## **Why study A-level Sociology?**

Sociology is the study of people and how their behaviours are determined by nurture. How one's life chances are impacted by simple things, like what family, country, area they are born into. As a student you will be required to link these ideas to wider social processes and structures.

This subjects gives one an insight into how things are not always as they seem. You begin to see the careful ways in which society is designed and how these designs are not always fair or just. Sociology is a living and breathing subject, keeping up to date with contemporary issues makes sociology to life.

**Exam Board:** AQA

## **Course overview...**

### **Year 12**

#### **Education**

- Class differences in education
- Ethnic differences in education
- Gender differences in education
- The role of education
- Educational policy and inequality

#### **Family and households**

- Couples
- Childhood
- Theories of the Family
- Demography
- Changing family patterns
- Family diversity
- Families and social policy

#### **Research methods**

- Choosing a research topic
- Experiments
- Questionnaires
- Interviews
- Participant observation
- Secondary sources
- Methods in context

**Year 13:** Beliefs in society and Crime and Deviance with theory and methods.

## **Possible careers linked to this qualification...**

International relation.....Social worker.....Civil service.....Teaching.....Research.....Lawyer.....  
Psychologist.....Therapist.....Politics

## **Some of our students have gone on to study...further after completing...**

Some of our students have gone on to study sociology, psychology, international relations, criminology, social work, education and law.