

WINDSOR SIXTH FORM SUMMER WORK



A Level Sociology

It is great to hear that you are interested in studying Sociology. We have prepared a series of activities and research ideas to prepare you for the course.

Before you start the course: please watch the video clip on YouTube: What is Sociology? Crash Course Sociology <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YnCJU6PaCio>.

Make notes/mind maps on what you understand about Sociology. You may need to pause the video at intervals to take notes. Below is a useful website which tells you all about the work of Sociologists and the fields that this subject may lead you towards:

<https://www.britsoc.co.uk/what-is-sociology/what-do-sociologists-do/>

We study 5 topics in Sociology – Theory and Research Methods, Education, Families and Households, Beliefs in Society and Crime and Deviance. In Year 12 we look at Education and Families:

Below are some tasks/ activities based around these topics.

Education

1. Find the definition of meritocracy.
2. Read the following news article [tps://www.tes.com/news/few-one-20-born-poorest-areas-go-university](https://www.tes.com/news/few-one-20-born-poorest-areas-go-university) and answer the following questions: Does this article suggest we live in a meritocracy? Why is it important that 'poor' students go to university?

Families and Households

1. Research the book 'Toxic Childhood by Sue Palmer' - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZjvULWAXzFk> this book explores some of the issues which children of today face such as obesity, dyslexia, ADHD.
2. What are the main concerns according to Palmer for children growing up today? Do you agree? Why/why not?

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