

OPTIONS 2026 - SOCIOLOGY

Sociology GCSE

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Specification

For teaching from September 2017
onwards For exams in 2019 onwards

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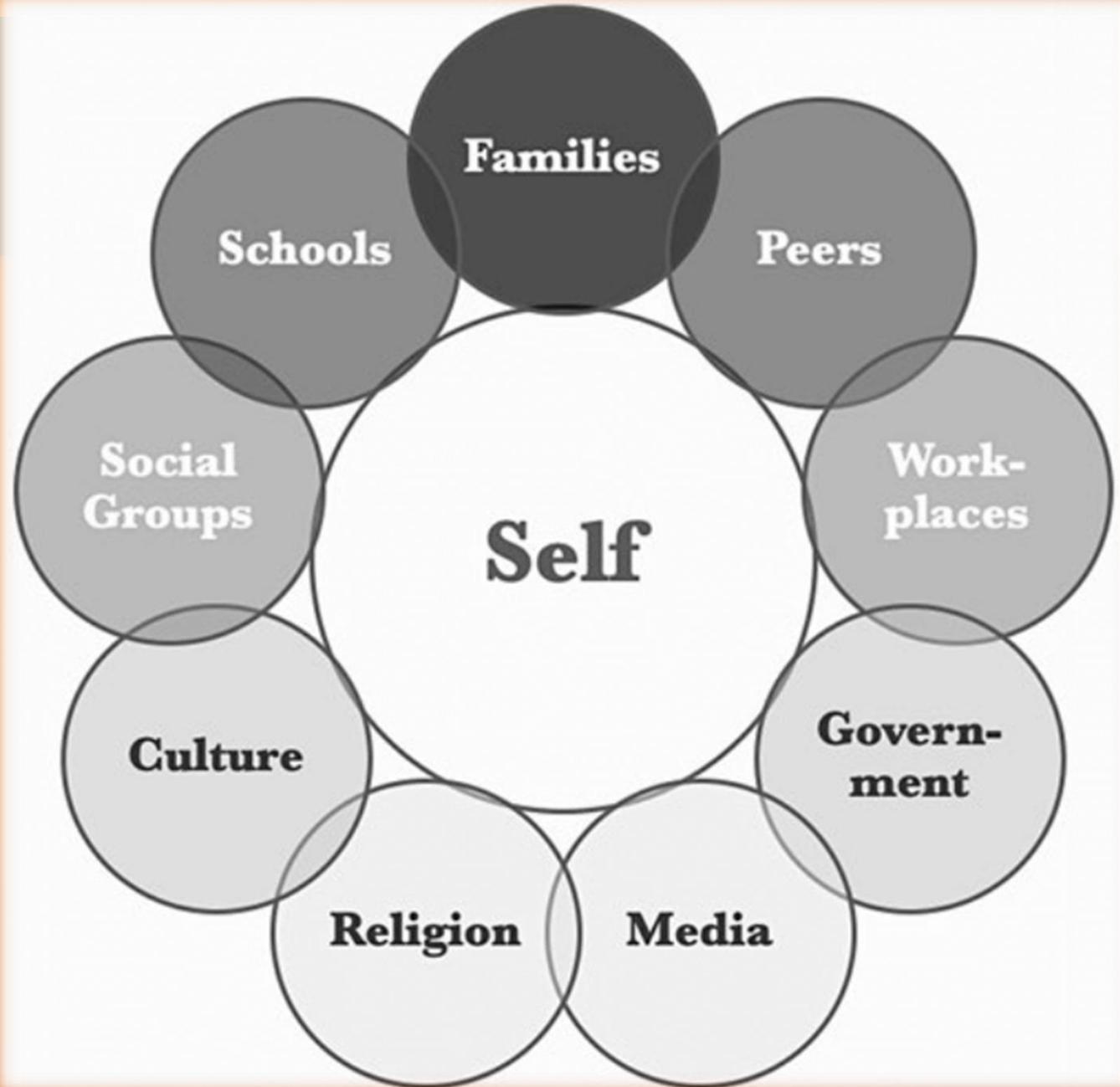
What is Sociology?

Sociology is the study of **social life** and **social change**, as well as the **social causes and consequences** of human behaviour.

Sociologists investigate the structure of groups, organisations, and societies, as well as how people interact within these contexts.

What is Sociology?

- ❖ What makes up society?
- ❖ How does society have an impact on you?
- ❖ Are you free to choose who you want to be?
- ❖ Is society fair? Can it ever be equal?
- ❖ How does society change and why?



Exam board: AQA

Benefits of AQA:

- Has been taught since 2017, so past papers are available.
- Many resources available online.
- Many endorsed books and other resources.

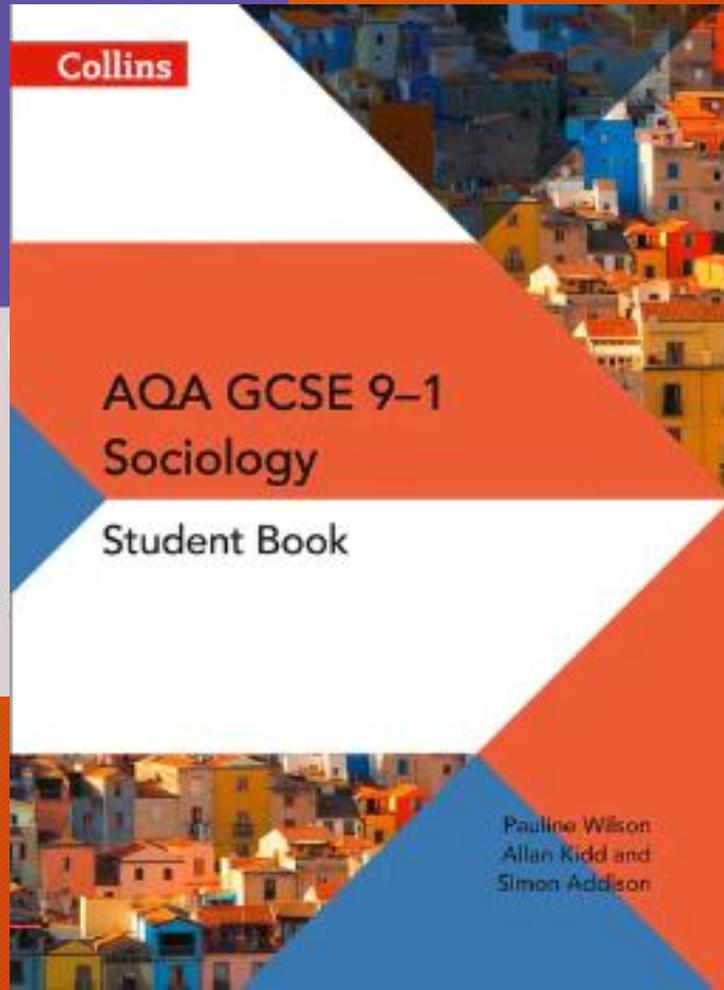


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AQA GCSE 9-1 Sociology

Complete Revision & Practice

3 books in 1
Revision guide, workbook &



Resources we use

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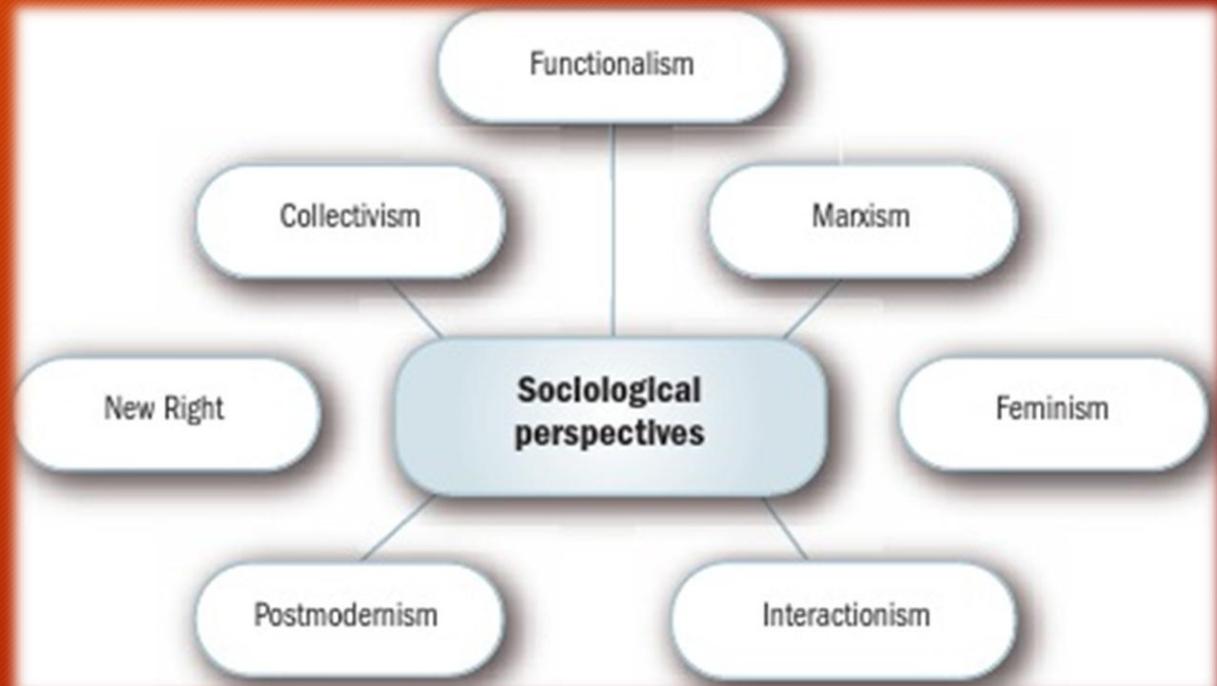


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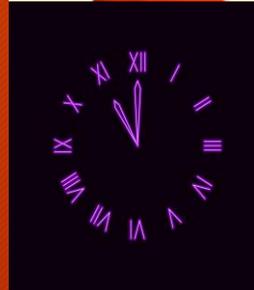
So what topics are covered?

- ❖ The Sociological Approach (perspectives)
- ❖ Social Structures, Social Processes and Social Issues
- ❖ Families
- ❖ Education
- ❖ Crime and Deviance
- ❖ Social Stratification
- ❖ Research Methods



What Skills Will I Need For Sociology?

- Essay writing skills. Preferred grade 5 and above in English and RS
- A strong performance in English, History and Religious Studies.
- A mature attitude.
- An open mind.
- Time management - Homework and consolidation of learning is critical.



- Evaluative skills - What are the strengths and the weaknesses.
- Comparative skills - What is similar and different between different approaches.
- Debate - Ability to speak up and formulate an opinion about new ideas.

Skills you will learn?

- Analytical skills
- Team work
- Communication skills
- How to construct an argument
- The current issues within our society
- Develop opinions and new ideas on social issues
- Analyse and better understand the social world



What Assessments Will I do?

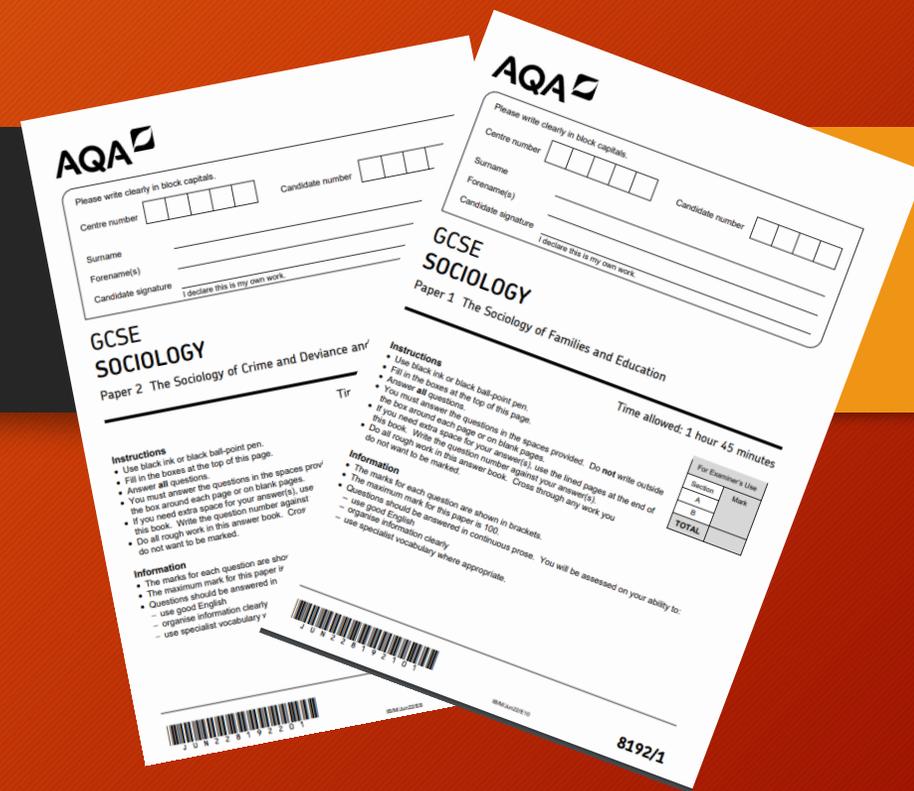
Two exams at the end of the two year course.

Both have equal weight of 50% of GCSE.

- Paper 1 : The Sociology of Families and Education (1hr 45m).
- Paper 2 : The Sociology of Crime and Deviance and Social Stratification (1hr 45m).

Questions

- Section A has two multiple choice questions followed by a range of short and extended responses.
- Section B has two multiple choice questions followed by a range of short and extended responses.







Some famous sociology graduates

