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A-Level Sociology

Summer Tasks

Please complete the booklet and hand it in to Mr Smith by Friday 11th September.

For each unit, answer the opinion-based questions we have given you. Please fully explain your answers. Your teachers will mark these based on effort and you'll have a chance to re-visit your answers at the end of Year 13.

Education

In Education, some sociologists argue that education is fair to everyone, and everyone has an equal chance to succeed and get good grades. How far do you agree?

Feminist Sociologists argue that the education system does not treat boys and girls equally. Can you think of any differences in terms of how boys and girls are treated at school? How important do you think these differences are?

Culture and Identity

Crime and Deviance

The purposes of punishing people for committing crimes are:

- 1) Deterrence. Deterring people from committing crimes. If people see people going to prison for committing a crime they're less likely to commit that crime.
- 2) Public protections. Maintaining law and order, preventing and catching criminals, stopping criminals from causing further harm.
- 3) Retribution. Punishing criminals to make sure they get punished for wrongdoing.
- 4) Rehabilitation. The idea that alongside, or instead of, being punished, criminals should be rehabilitated so that they never offend again.

Which of the above purposes of punishment do you think is/are the most important and why?

Some Sociologists argue that everyone is treated the same by the police and criminal justice system. How far do you agree and why?

The Media

Research Methods and Methods in Context

If you were a Sociologist who wanted to study why Hellesdon High School students choose the A-level subjects that they do, how would you go about doing your research? Explain your answers.