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<p>Culture https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p02hb4mv</p> <p>Marxism https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p02h7dlv</p> <p>Weber https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p02mrmv7</p> <p>Goffman https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p02p1sq</p> <p>The surprising decline in violence https://www.ted.com/talks/steven_pinker_the_surprising_decline_in_violence</p> <p>The dangerous way ads see women https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uy8yLaoWYbk</p> <p>Modern masculinity https://www.theguardian.com/society/series/modern-masculinity</p> <p>Connected but alone https://www.ted.com/talks/sherry_turkle_connected_but_alone</p> <p>The hidden influence of social networks https://www.ted.com/talks/nicholas_christakis_the_hidden_influence_of_social_networks</p> <p>Tribe with Bruce Parry – cultural differences https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DAIqeKdxLqM&list=PLO-wxly9sHybZmjnhhkGSGh1fIIGUNLT</p>	<p>Textbook OCR Sociology for A Level Book 1 by Taylor et al</p> <p>Other books Poverty Safari by Darren McGarvey The Spirit Level by Kate Pickett and Richard Wilkinson Sociological Imagination by C. Wright Mills Summary is here: https://wgswitney.org.uk/perch/resources/the-sociological-imagination.pdf</p> <p>Other sources Introducing Sociology https://wgswitney.org.uk/perch/resources/introducing-sociology-1.pdf How technology disrupted the truth https://www.theguardian.com/media/2016/jul/12/how-technology-disrupted-the-truth</p> <p>Why We Post Huge scale global study on the uses of consequences of social media. Work your way through the student activity guide and/or navigate through the research sites in different countries. https://www.ucl.ac.uk/why-we-post/</p>	<p>Thinking Allowed – BBC Sociology programme https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006qy05</p> <p>Identity https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m0001r8v</p> <p>Social class https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m000281t</p> <p>Being ‘cool’ https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m0009jkl</p> <p>Serial killers https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m0009cf1</p> <p>Conspiracy theories https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m0004sly</p> <p>Shoes: a cultural history https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m00010yy</p> <p>Post truth https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b0bk1llv</p> <p>Mixed-race families https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b09xkdhd</p> <p>The white working class https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b09snwmt</p> <p>Police culture https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b09lylpm</p> <p>The mafia: organised crime https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p05gr4sh</p> <p>Marx https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p003k9jg</p> <p>Feminism https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00545b0</p>

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Key Concepts	Key Sociologists	Key Theories 
<p>Create a list of definitions of these terms using the information here: https://wgswitney.org.uk/perch/resources/introducing-sociology-1.pdf</p> <p>Culture Socialisation Identity Role Status Value Norm Informal social control Formal social control Inequality Social class Gender Ethnicity Social change Nature Nurture Modernity Rituals Agency Structuralism</p>	<p>Summarise the key ideas of each of these Sociologists:</p> <p>Emile Durkheim Talcott Parsons Karl Marx Louis Althusser Max Weber George Herbert Mead Sylvia Walby Ann Oakley Sue Sharpe Mairtin Mac an Ghail Stuart Hall</p> <p>http://www.sociology.org.uk/n_theory.htm</p> <p>https://www.shortcutstv.com/blog/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/02-OCR-Process-of-Socialisation-.pdf</p> <p>https://www.shortcutstv.com/blog/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/03-OCR-Socialisation-and-Identity.pdf</p>	<p>Create a working definition of these theories using the information in these three links: https://wgswitney.org.uk/perch/resources/introducing-sociology-1.pdf</p> <p>http://www.sociology.org.uk/n_theory.htm</p> <p>https://revisesociology.com/sociology-theories-a-level/</p> <p>Functionalism Marxism Neo-Marxism New Right Feminism Liberal Feminism Marxist Feminism Radical Feminism Difference Feminism Postmodernism Pluralists Interactionism (interpretivism)</p> <p>You may have to do some wider research if you can't find everything in these two sites.</p>

More materials to support this section of the work can be found here: <http://www.sociology.org.uk/rload.htm>

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You can find articles that will bring the theories and concepts up to date by linking to contemporary issues here: <https://revisesociology.com/>

Sociology research tasks

Complete these mini research tasks.

1. On an average day, keep a log of the types of media you use (TV, music, social media, internet, books, magazines, radio, etc) and for how long you use them. Ask an elderly relative (or another older family member) to do the same. Analyse the similarities and differences between them. Why do they happen? What do any differences in usage mean for individuals and society?

Create a comparative table between the two people's use of media.

2. On a day when you are in Witney or another place with a number of people, watch how they behave. What is making people behave in the way they are behaving? What stops people from stealing things? What stops people from jumping queues in shops? If you go abroad on holiday, do people behave in the same way? If not, why not?

Create a list of social rules you follow.

3. Watch 2/3 TV programmes on a TV channel with adverts, but note down what adverts are on during them. What roles do men and women play in the adverts? What relationship might there be between the advert and the programme? What time of day is the show in? What channel is it on? What are the adverts saying about men or women in modern society?

Create a list of the differences between the way men and women are portrayed in the media.