VISION

What is the purpose of studying Sociology at A level? How might an A level Sociology student change the world?
Sociology gives you an awareness of the various structures and processes in society and how they interact with different social groups (based on class, ethnicity, sex and age). You will gain a much enhanced understanding of societies both at home and globally. You will also develop an appreciation of how society impact on the individual (including yourself) and also how individuals and social groups can help shape society. All this is considered from a range of sociological perspectives which you need to evaluate. All aspects of society are considered critically and alternative structures and processes are considered evaluatively. Specific social and political policies are evaluated. This should empower a student to make informed choices about the type of society worth striving for, together with suggestions for changes and policies. All this can result in highly motivated and assertive students who wish to make a difference through their work, further study and personal lives.


The Sociology Review and broadsheet newspapers (especially The Guardian)
By listening to: Thinking Allowed (Radio 4 -Wednesday 4pm or as Podcast on BBC Radio website)
By watching documentaries covering social issues (most regularly on BBC 2,3,4 and Channel 4) including Panorama - Lockdown UK; Stacey Dooley investigates, Real Stories.

EFFORT

Proactive work in Sociology looks like this:
See practice section (1) and vision section (2)
Dates
## PRACTICE

**Examples of good content activities in Sociology include:**
- Reading and applying both textbooks to specific topics
- Reading alternative general and specific topic-based textbooks available in Departmental library
- Reading articles in Sociology Review magazine

**Examples of good skills activities in Sociology include:**
- Producing plans for specific essay titles.
- Producing full answers for specific types of shorter answers—especially 10 mark questions
- Writing answers to specific time limits and with clear handwriting

**Examples of good feedback activities in Sociology include:**
- Highlighting on scripts which skills were exhibited well and which were lacking or poorly executed
- Listing main areas for development after each script to help inform planning for next assignment

## ATTITUDE

The Sociology department want to be a part of your support network! If you have questions or are seeking guidance, you can find us by coming to our office (opposite Central, so very easy to get to!) or having a quiet word at the end of a lesson or emailing us. We prefer to offer one to one support on an ad hoc basis as need arises.