

Course Title: A Level SOCIOLOGY Awarding Body: AQA Further information available from: MR GILES

Course requirements: Sociology is open to students who have not studied the course at GCSE. GCSE grade 5 or above is required in English Language or English Literature.

Sociology is the study of society and people in groups. The study of the subject leads to a wider understanding of contemporary society and helps students to develop a critical opinion of the world around them.

Sociology equips students with the knowledge and language to challenge their own beliefs and perceptions of the society they live in. Students in turn gain a greater understanding of the economic, political and social forces around them.

It is a popular subject at A-Level with many students using the subject to help them make undergraduate and career choices.

A Level Specification at a glance		
Content	Percentage	Assessment
	of A level	
Component 1	33.3 %	2 hour exam
Education with Theory and Method		80 marks
Written paper		50 – Education
		20 – Methods in Context
		10 – Theory and Methods
Component 2	33.3 %	2 hour exam
Topics in Sociology		80 marks
Written paper		40 – Family and Households
		40 – Beliefs in Society or
		40 - Globalisation
Component 3	33.3 %	2 hour exam
Crime and Deviance with Theory and		80 marks
Methods		50 - Crime and Deviance
Written paper		30 – Theory and Methods

A Level Sociology is split into three papers that will be examined at the end of Year 13.