

Sociology

6th form holiday task

You will be studying the new 2 year A Level Sociology course, assessed by AQA.

As part of the course you will look at Sociological theories.

The main theories you will study are:

- Structuralism
- Functionalism
- Marxism
- Symbolic interactionism
- Feminism
- New right
- Post modernism
- Positivist
- Interpretivists

Each theory is a set of ideas which claims to explain how society works.

Your task is to find out more about these theories. You will need to cover:

- Who developed the idea (may be more than one person)
- A brief summary of their ideas.
- Key terms (and definitions) they use

Summarise your findings into 2/3 pages of notes/diagrams that you can use while you study Sociology. You will need to hand your work in to your Sociology teacher during your first Sociology lesson.

Two good places to look for information are:

<https://revisesociology.com/2015/05/18/positivism-interpretivism-sociology/>

<https://sociologytwynham.com/2013/06/09/methodology-overview/>

Finally, bring in two or three recent articles from the news about sociology