## Whickham School A LEVEL SOCIOLOGY YEAR 12

HT	Teacher 1	HT	Teacher 2
1	<ul> <li>Introducing socialisation/Youth culture</li> <li>Primary and secondary socialisation</li> <li>Agencies of socialisation: • family • peer group • media • religion • education • workplace</li> <li>Nature/nurture debate</li> <li>Formal agencies of social control: • police • law/legal system • courts • government • military</li> <li>Informal agencies of social control: • family • peer group/subcultures • media • religion • education • workplace</li> </ul>	1	<ul> <li>Culture, norms and values • to be able to understand the relative nature of culture, norms and values.</li> <li>Types of culture: subculture • high culture • popular culture • global culture • consumer culture Cultural diversity Cultural hybridity</li> </ul>
2+3	Youth Culture/Youth deviance  • Theoretical views of the role and formation of youth culture and subcultures: • functionalism • Marxism/neo-Marxism • feminism • postmodernism Subcultures as related to: • social class • gender • ethnicity • hybridity  • Deviant subcultures: • delinquent subcultures • criminal subcultures • spectacular youth subcultures • anti-school subcultures • gangs Patterns and trends in youth deviance related to: • social class • gender • ethnicity  • Explanations for young people participating in deviant subcultures: • functionalism/New Right • Marxism/neo-Marxism • interactionism • culture and identity  • The media and youth deviance: • deviance amplification • folk devils • moral panics	2+3	The concept of identity     Aspects of identity and the associated cultural characteristics: • ethnicity     nationality • gender • social class • sexuality • age • disability• hybrid identities
4+5	Research methods  • Relationships between theory and methods Positivism: • patterns • trends • objectivity • value freedom • quantitative data Interpretivism: • meanings and experiences • verstehen and empathy • rapport • subjectivity • researcher imposition • reflexivity • qualitative data Key research concepts: • validity • reliability • representativeness • generalisability  • Key concepts in the research process: • factors influencing the choice of research topic • aims/hypothesis/research questions • primary data • secondary data • operationalisation • pilot studies • data collection • respondent validation • longitudinal studies • interpretation of data • the relationship between	4+5	<ul> <li>The sociology of religion, belief and faith</li> <li>How is religion defined? Defining religion different types of institutions and movements new religious movements and new age movements religious fundamentalism</li> <li>How is religion measured? Religious belief and religiosity belief without belonging vicarious religion</li> <li>What is the role and function of religion in society? Functionalism marxism neo marxism Weber feminism phenomenology postmodernism</li> </ul>

	sociology and social policy Sampling process Sampling techniques • random • systematic • stratified • snowball • volunteer • opportunity • purposive • quota • Access and gatekeeping, ethics • Research methods used in sociology: • questionnaires • structured interviews • statistical data (official and non-official) • content analysis • observations (participant, non-participant, covert, overt) • unstructured interviews • semi structured interviews • ethnography Quantitative and qualitative data Mixed methods • triangulation • methodological pluralism		What is the relationship between religion and social change? functionalism • Marxism • neo-Marxism • Weberianism
6	Revision and Exam skills	5+6	Revision and exam skills

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HT	Teacher 1	Teacher 2
1	Research methods/Ethnicity and inequality	What are the patterns and trends of religion, belief and faith?
	<ul> <li>Patterns and trend in ethnic inequality</li> <li>The main sociological explanations of ethnic inequality and difference: • functionalism • Marxism • Weberian • feminism • New Right</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Patterns and trends in relation to: social class • gender • ethnicity • age</li> <li>Religion, belief and faith in a global context: change in the significance of religion in societies • differences in the significance of religion between societies</li> </ul>
2	<ul> <li>Social class inequality         <ul> <li>Patterns and trend in social class inequality</li> <li>The main sociological explanations of social inequality and difference: • functionalism • Marxism • Weberian • feminism • New Right</li> </ul> </li> <li>Social class inequality/Gender inequality         <ul> <li>Patterns and trend in gender inequality</li> <li>The main sociological explanations of social inequality and difference: • functionalism • Marxism • Weberian • feminism • New Right</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Debates on secularisation in relation to: religious belief • religious practice • power and influence of religion in society</li> <li>Theoretical views on secularisation: pro-secularisation theorists • anti-secularisation theorists, including postmodern views</li> <li>The relationship between religion and social policy</li> </ul>
3	Ethnicity and inequality/Age inequality	Globalisation and digital social world

	Patterns and trend in age inequality The main sociological explanations of age inequality and difference:  functionalism • Marxism • Weberian • feminism • New Right  New Right	<ul> <li>Definitions of globalisation</li> <li>Developments in digital forms of communication in a global society: • digital revolution • global village • networked global society • media convergence • social media • virtual communities • digital social networks</li> <li>Applying sociological theories to digital forms of communication: • Marxism • feminism • postmodernism</li> <li>The impact of digital forms of communication on: • people's identity • social inequalities • relationships The impact of digital forms of communication on culture: • conflict and change • cultural homogenisation • cultural defence/ 'glocalisation'</li> </ul>
4	Revision and Exam skills	Revision and Exam skills
5	Revision and Exam skills	Revision and Exam skills

## Assessment in year 12/13:

- Regular interleaving/ tests
- Practice Exam questions from past papers
- Essay questions
- Mock exams Paper 1 and 2 (Year 12 June exams, Year 13 mock 1).
- Mock exams Paper 1,2 and 3 (Year 13 mock 2)