



Subject		Sociology		
Title/Topic		Format	Length	Date & Time
Paper 1 – Social Process – Family, Education, and RM		Combination of short answer and essay style questions.	50 minutes	Thu 24 November Afternoon
Paper 2 – Social Structures – Crime, Social Stratification and RM		Combination of short answer and essay style questions.	50 minutes	Thu 1 December Afternoon

My Advent assessment will test my knowledge on...

Social processes

- Know Key sociological concepts – status, ascribed status, culture, socialisation, identity, cultural diversity
- Debates over the acquisition of identity - nature/nurture debate including examples of feral children and cultural diversity
- The process of socialisation – Explain agents of socialisation: family, education, media, peer group
- Explain how agents of socialisation pass on culture and identity, for example: gender, class, ethnic and national identity

Family

- Family types
 1. what is a family?
 2. nuclear family, extended family, reconstituted family, lone parent family, single sex family, singlehood, cohabiting family, beanpole family,
- Sociological theories of the family
 1. conflict versus consensus debate on the role of the family
 2. consensus view of Functionalism - Functionalist theory of the role and functions of family, such as Parsons and primary socialisation and stabilisation of adult personalities
 3. conflict view of Marxism - Marxist theory of families serving the interests of capitalism, including the work of Zaretsky
 4. conflict view of Feminism - Feminist critique of family as a patriarchal institution, including the work of Delphy and Leonard and Oakley and the conventional family
 5. New Right views of family
- Family diversity, marriage and divorce marital breakdown and divorce

Education

- Sociological theories of the role of education
 1. conflict versus consensus debate on the role of education
 2. consensus view of Functionalism
 3. Functionalist theory of education
 4. conflict view of Marxism
 5. Marxist theory of education serving the needs of capitalism
 6. Feminist theory of education perpetuating patriarchy

Research Method



1. Know and understand the different research methods including primary research methods, interviews, unstructured interviews, structured, questionnaires, surveys, observations
2. Explain practical, ethical and theoretical issues when using the above research method/s

Paper 2:

Stratification

- Factors which may influence access to life chances and power
 1. factors which may influence class, gender, ethnicity, age, disability and sexuality
 2. social construction of identity/roles, status
 3. prejudice, discrimination
 4. stereotyping, labelling
 5. scapegoating
 6. media representation
 7. legislation
 8. moral panics
 9. sub-cultures
 10. with specific reference to ethnicity: racism, institutional racism
- Theoretical perspectives on social inequality i.e. medical, social models

Crime and Deviance

- Patterns of criminal and deviant behaviour
 1. patterns of criminal behaviour by: social class, gender
- Sociological theories and explanations of deviance and criminal behaviour (structural, subcultural, interactionist and feminist)
 1. Merton and strain theory of crime
 2. Subcultural theory: Albert Cohen and delinquent sub-cultures,
 3. Feminism -social control, including the work of Heidensohn on female conformity in a male dominated society, women and poverty including the work of Carlen, chivalry thesis
- Sources of data on crime
 1. patterns and trends of criminal behaviour
 2. official statistics
 3. victim and self-report studies
 4. usefulness of sources of data on crime: dark figure of crime, unreported and unrecorded crime, police bias and labelling, moral panics, invisible crime

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What should I do to revise and prepare for this assessment?

To prepare for this assessment:

1. Use look, cover, check using the knowledge organisers on the back of your Unit workbooks.
2. It is also important to understand a range of sociological research/theorists and be able to describe their findings. (They are named above.)

What useful websites/resources could I use to help me prepare?

Knowledge organisers & workbooks.