

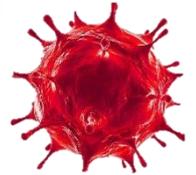
A Level Sociology

Summer Preparation Homework

Introduction

**I'm aware this topic may be sensitive for some people, if so, please edit/omit any sections that you do not feel able to complete. You can instead research any interesting news story from this summer.*

The ongoing Covid-19 pandemic is not only a health issue, but a sociological issue. The rapid changes in British society as a result of this virus are ongoing and the consequences of this may last many years. From the impact on education, to the changes in the crime rate, the consequences of Covid-19 are linked to many of the topics we study in A level sociology.



Task outline

Carry out some brief research into the impact of Covid-19 in relation to the following:

- Class/ethnic/gender inequality in the UK
- The Education System – *Class differences in education, exam changes*
- The Family – *Divorce, domestic violence, demographic changes, family bonds and relationships*
- Crime and Deviance – *Growth/decline of certain crimes, the changing nature of crime*
- Beliefs in Society – *The role of religion, the role of science*

**You don't need to look into all of the points in italics, they are just some ideas of topics.*

After reading into the various changes choose the one you are most interested in and investigate that more thoroughly. Create a poster outlining the changes that have occurred as a result of Covid-19.

Once you have a good understanding of the issue, research the following sociological perspectives:

- Functionalism
- Marxism
- Feminism

Write a brief paragraph outlining each perspective on the back of your poster.

Finally, choose at least one perspective and add to your poster what they would say about the changes that have occurred.

Challenge task

Research other countries and whether the same changes are occurring there. For example, is the US/China facing the same changes/issues that we are? Why/why not? Compare your chosen country to the UK and add this to your poster.

Extend yourself

Read through the 'Sociology Optional Introductory Work' document and try one recommendation. There are books, documentaries and online courses you can try.

Please bring this to your first Sociology lesson and hand it in to Mrs Williams.