SOCIOLOGY

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT
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TYPE OF QUALIFICATION
A-level

EXAM BOARD
AQA

SPECIFICATION
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ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
Preferred: GCSE English grade 5
Essential: GCSE English grade 4

AIMS OF THE COURSE
The study of Sociology focuses on our contemporary society and offers the development of a critical and reflective mind with a respect for social diversity. The course provides students with an awareness of how important social structure, action and identity in our modern world can impact how we live.

In addition to acquiring a lifelong interest in social issues, you will also have the opportunity to develop:

- A critical understanding of contemporary social processes and changes
- An understanding of sociological methodology and a range of research methods
- The skills that will enable you to understand an individual's personal identity, roles and responsibilities within society

COURSE OUTLINE & ASSESSMENT
Paper 1: Education with Theory and Methods

Paper 2: Topics in Sociology – Culture and Identity, Families and households, Health, Work, Poverty and Welfare and Beliefs in Society

Paper 3: Crime and Deviance

CAREER PROSPECTS
A-Level Sociology is accepted as a qualification for all university courses and compliments many other subjects. A qualification in Sociology can lead to a wide range of career opportunities especially those which involve working with other people. These include working in charitable organisations, social work, community services, teaching and education, human resources, the police, politics and the media.

SUBJECT ENRICHMENT

Something to think about…
How much does our gender, ethnicity and social class affect our life chances and our role in the world? Does society exist or is it nothing more than a figment of our imaginations?

Something to listen to…
This BBC podcast explores the latest research into how society works and discus current ideas on how we live today Thinking Allowed Podcast

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Something to read...
Revise Sociology and Discover Sociology are both great to learn about the social world you live in and are excellent websites to gain an understanding of the topics you will study on the course.