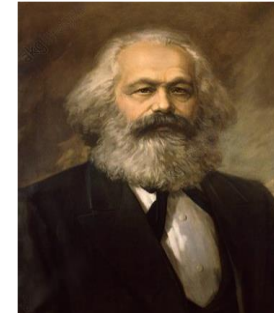
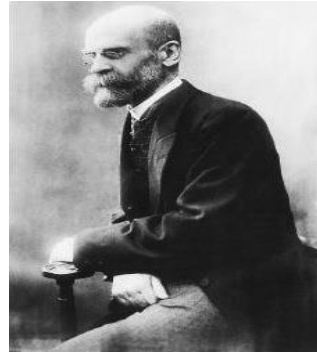




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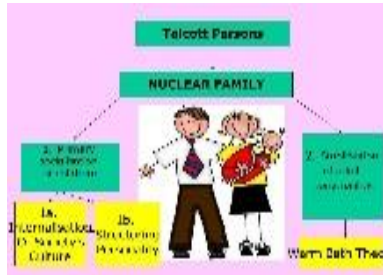
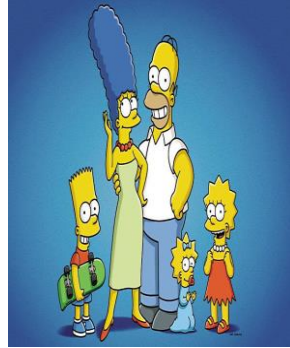
Introduction to what Sociology is and sociological theory:

- What is sociology/core themes
- Culture, norms, values and socialisation
- Functionalism
- Marxism
- Feminism,
- Structuralism verses Action theory
- Labelling
- The New Right
- Post modernism





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Paper 2 - Topic 1 - Families and Households:

- Theories of the family – Functionalism
- Theories of the family – Marxism
- Theories of the family – Feminism
- Theories of the family – Personal life perspective
- Changing family patterns
- Family diversity
- Demographics
- Couples
- Childhood
- Social policy

Paper 2 - Exam style questions include:

- Outline and explain two (10 marks)
- Applying material from itemanalyse two (10 marks)
- Applying material from itemevaluate .. (20 marks)

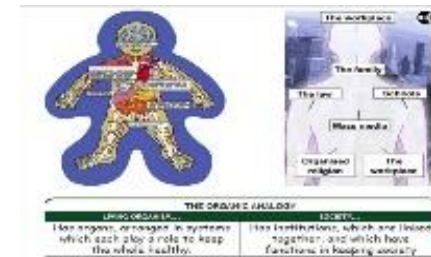
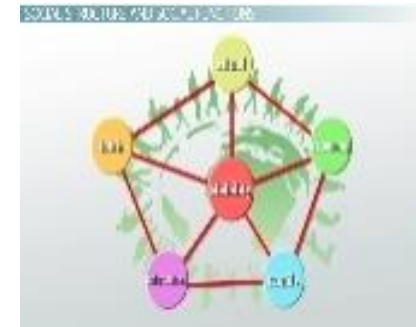
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Paper 1 - Topic 2 - Education

- Role of education – Functionalism
- Role of education – Marxism
- Role of education – the New Right
- Social class and achievement – external factors
- Social class and achievement – internal factors
- Social class and identity
- Ethnicity and achievement - external factors
- Ethnicity and achievement - internal factors
- Gender and achievement - external factors
- Gender and achievement - internal factors
- Gender and achievement – boys
- Gender and subject choice
- Gender identity
- Education policy – before 1988
- Education policy – after 1988
- The privatisation of education

Paper 1- Exam style questions include:

- Outline two (4 marks)
- Outline three (6 marks)
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Topic 3 – Research Methods –

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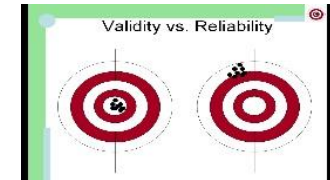
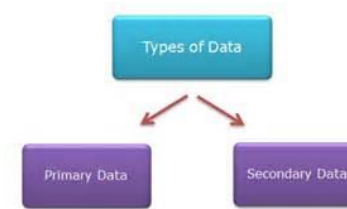
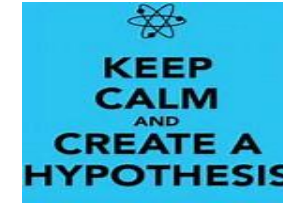
- Introduction to research methods -
- Introduction to research methods in context
- Experiments
- Experiments in context
- Questionnaires
- Questionnaires in context
- Interviews
- Interviews in context
- Observations
- Observations in context
- Secondary data/ sources
- Secondary data / sources in context

Paper 1 - Exam style questions include:

- Outline and explain two (10 marks)
- Applying material from itemevaluate .. RESEARCH METHOD / EDUCATIONAL ISSUE / RESEARCH CHARACTERISTIC (20 marks)

Paper 3 –

- Outline and explain two (10 marks)



- Paper 3 - Exam style questions include:**

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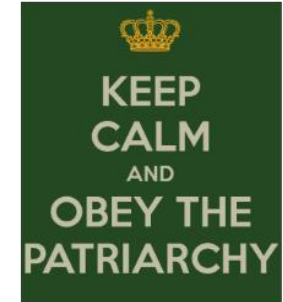
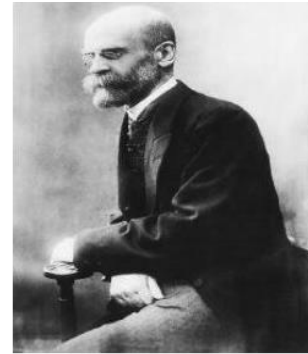


Paper 3 – Topic 5 –Theory and Methods



- Recap on methods – quantitative and qualitative data/methods
- Sociology and science – positivism verses interpretivism / definitions of science
- Sociology, objectivity and values in sociology
- Functionalism
- Marxism – Marx – traditional Marxism, Structuralist Marxism, Humanist Marxism
- Feminist theories – liberal, Marxist, Radical, Difference, Post-structuralist, dual systems feminism
- Action theories – social action theory
- Action theories – symbolic interactionism
- Action theories – labelling theory / Goffman's dramaturgical model
- Action theories - Phenomenology
- Action theories -Ethnomethodology
- Action theories - Structuration
- Globalisation and modernity
- Post modernism and Late modernism
- Marxist theories of postmodernity
- Sociology and social policy

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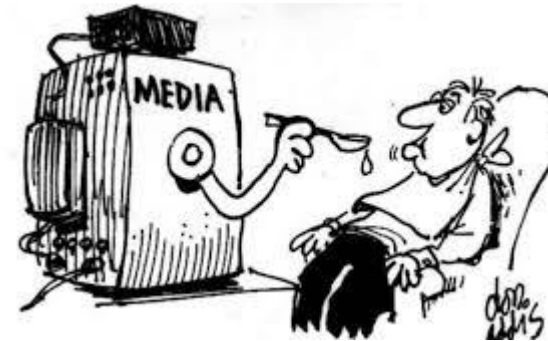
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Paper 2 – Topic 6 - Mass Media

- Introduction to the mass media - Media organisations and media concentration
- Role of the media – pluralism
- Role of the media – Marxism
- Role of the media – Neo-Marxism
- New media – characteristics of the new media / who is using the new media?
- New Media – debate Neophiliacs
- New Media – debate Cultural pessimists
- New Media – lack of regulation / conclusions
- The media, globalisation and popular culture – types of culture / effects of globalisation on popular culture
- Role of the media – Postmodernism
- Effects models – The Hypodermic syringe model
- Effects models – active audience approaches – 2 step flow, selective filter, uses and gratification
- Effects models – active audience approaches, uses and gratification – the cultural effects model, the Postmodernist model
- News selection – window v social construction of news
- News presentation
- Mass media age representations
- Mass media social class representations
- Mass media gender representations
- Mass media sexuality representations
- Mass media disability representations
- Mass media ethnicity representations



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Paper 2 - Exam style questions include:

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