



# Year 12 Induction Task Subject: Sociology

## Objectives:

- To understand and to be able to apply Sociology in everyday life.
- To gain an understanding of key sociological concepts and perspectives.

## **FINAL OUTCOME:**

- **To be able to discuss and feedback an understanding of the use of sociology in reflection with everyday society.**
- **To work in pairs or small groups discussing news articles with reference to sociological perspectives**

## **DEADLINE: First sociology lesson of the new academic term**

### PREPARATORY TASKS:

To get yourselves thinking about Sociology, I would like you to research and complete the tasks below. Sociology is a really interesting subject that many of you will be able to relate to in one way or another. I am very passionate about this subject and I hope that you too find it enjoyable. The following tasks are a good area to start thinking about the study of Sociology. It is really important that you keep up to date with the News around you and have an interest in the society that we live in.

1. Key topics- find and cut out two newspapers article relating to any of the following areas: -  
Family diversity, Marriage, Divorce, Poverty, Childhood

Once you have picked the news articles, I want you to think about what they illustrate, what it suggests about the society that we live in in preparation of a class discussion, could even think about how the media portrays the article/ story.

2. Key perspectives: I would like you to have a think about the following key sociological perspectives. - Marxism, Functionalism, Feminism

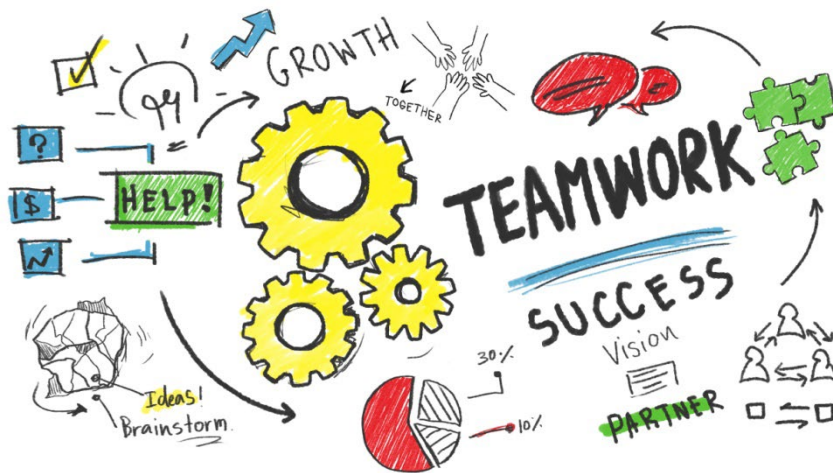
You will need to research these areas, try and work out what these perspectives are studying within society. Also write notes on these and have a think about how these could link back to the two news articles that you have previously selected. You could do this in the form of a poster for example; however I will leave it up to you how you want to present your work. You do need to be prepared to feedback to the class, myself or a small group the information which you have found out.

**ASSESSMENT FOCI:** I will be looking at which articles you have selected to use and I will also be looking at how you work within a small group, pairs, the quality of your research and your ability to engage in a class discussion.

# Sociology

## Transition project

*(Booklet, to use alongside your news articles research)*



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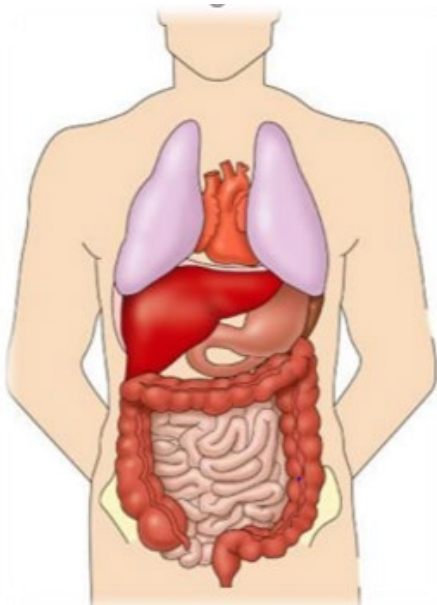
The tasks will give you a head start and prepare you for the key topics you will encounter in Y12. Research and complete the tasks independently in any format you like and bring them along to your first Sociology lesson.

based project is  
give you a good  
level Sociology.

Good luck and enjoy!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Task 1: Functional Functionalists



1. Research Functionalism and produce a fact sheet outlining the approach and the 'Organic Analogy'.

2. What the following You Tube clip of The Adjustment Bureau Trailer and link it to Functionalism:

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=wZJOTP4nTaE](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wZJOTP4nTaE)



Summarise everything you have discovered about Functionalism.

## Task 2: Fiery Feminists



### 1. Watch

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CVB7BWHaUT4>

(TEDx Covent Garden Women talk, What's Feminist About Equality? Finn Mackay)

Summarise what it tells you about Feminism.

### 2. Research Feminism and produce a fact sheet outlining definitions and provide examples.

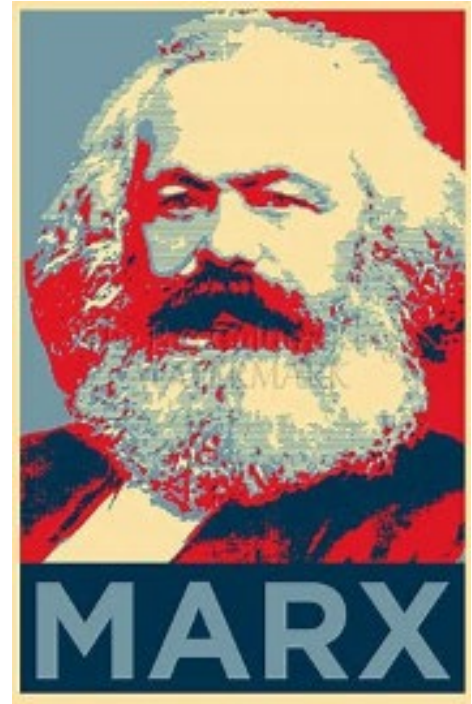
Summarise everything you have discovered about Feminism.

## Task 3: Magnificent Marxists

1. Watch YouTube clip

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vz3eOb6Yl1s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vz3eOb6Yl1s)

2. Create a glossary of key terms from the clip



3. Research Marxism and produce a factsheet outline differences between the Bourgeoisie and the Proletariat.

4. Research examples of class inequality in within the UK contemporary society.

Summarise everything you have discovered about Marxism.

# Task 4: Autonomous Social Action Theorists

1. Define the following terms;
  - a. Structural or social action
  - b. Macro or Micro
  - c. Consensus or conflict theory
2. Complete a summary table of what would have found out so far about each approach and state where they are in relation to a, b and c above;

Functionalism	Marxism	Feminism

3. Define the Social Action Theorist Approach to society

4. Research Jane Elliot's 'Brown Eyes, Blue Eyes' and 'Angry eye' experiments. What would Social Action Theory say about these experiments and participants?



Summarise everything you have discovered about Social Action Theory.

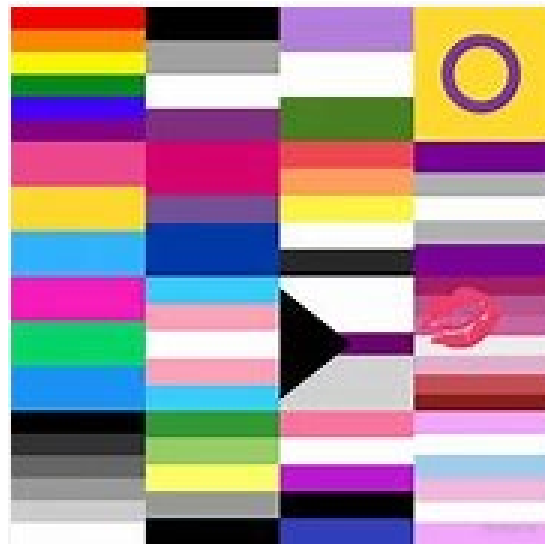


# Task 5: Passionate Post-modernists

1. Create a factsheet outlining what Post-Modernism is and what it says about society.
2. Produce a table outlining the differences between modern and post-modern society.

Modernism	Post-Modernism

3. Find examples of post-modern changes in society within, e.g. consumer culture, same-sex marriage.



Summarise everything you have discovered about Post modernists.