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A level summer transition work

Subject: Sociology

Exam board: OCR

Expectation is you will complete at least one task from each category and come to your first lesson in September prepared to discuss this work. You must bring your 'Independent learning log' and any completed work in September.



Video Clips

Each of these short video clips introduces an idea or theme that is relevant to this A level course. In your 'independent learning log' note down any questions the clip raises. How we're priming some kids for college and others for prison.

How economic inequality harms societies



TV programmes, films, and documentaries

These programmes will get you thinking even more deeply about this A level course. In your 'independent learning log' write down anything you will explore further following your viewing

Louis Theroux (choose what interests you most) https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/group/p06k7x37

https://www.bbc.co.uk/ipiayer/group/pook/2

When They See Us; available on Netflix.

Three Girls; available on Netflix and iPlayer

The 13th; available on Netflix.



Radio programmes and podcast

These programmes are great ways to get you thinking about your A level. Pick some to listen to over the summer.

Reasons to be Cheerful: Progressive ideas to change the world (with Ed Miliband and Geoff Lloyd). Best sociological episodes are on constructions of masculinity and 'the fat cat paygap'.

https://play.acast.com/s/reasonstobecheerful/2196de7a-19df-4006-af97-b216ebfa16ae



Books

These books are excellent introductions to A level. Write a small summary or review of the book or sections of the book you have read.

The Establishment by Owen Jones

Chavs by Owen Jones The Spirit Level by Kate Pickett

Why I am no longer talking to White people about race by Reni Eddo-Lodge



Questions to discuss

These are questions you could discuss with family and friends over the summer. Try to write a summary of your discussion and the different viewpoints that emerged.

Is institutional racism still a problem in the UK? To what extent does gender shape our life

chances?

Are schools failing boys?

Is religion still relevant to contemporary life?

To what extent is the individual shaped by society?









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Independent learning log

Use the table below to keep a record of your preparation work. Bring this to your first lesson back in September.

Date completed	Title	Type of task	Questions/resources you produced (summer notes, book review etc)



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