

Preparation for year 10 mock exam summer 2022

AQA GCSE SOCIOLOGY - THE FAMILY

Students should be able to learn and understand ideas on:

The functions of the family

Forms and structures of the family in modern society

Conjugal roles and relationships

Changing roles within the family

Criticisms of the family

Divorce

Key sociologists to be studied are :

Talcott Parsons - functions of the family

Rapoports - family diversity

Ann Oakley - feminist views

Wilmott and Young - changing structures of the family, including the symmetrical family

Zaretsky - Marxist ideas of the family

Delphy and Leonard

Remember that methods questions can be spread throughout the paper and you can be asked to comment on the ways sociologists work

Sociology - key terms vocab list

Methods:

- Questionnaire
- Observation
- Participant observation
- Structured interview
- Unstructured interview
- Longitudinal study
- Overt
- Covert
- Ethics
- Primary source
- Secondary source
- Official statistics

Family:

- Nuclear family
- Extended family
- Beanpole family
- Reconstituted family
- Symmetrical family
- Generations
- Marriage

Divorce

Roles

Conjugal roles

Childhood

Single parent family

Cohabitation

Monogamy

Polygamy

Functions