

Revision and exam preparation sheet for sociology

November 2020 mock

There are two main topics to revise for the mock exam - **methods and the family**. These topics have been chosen as they are the topics that we covered before lockdown when everyone was in lessons so everyone should have notes and answers in their books.

Methods

Make sure you know definitions and meanings for each of the terms - it is also good to be able to name advantages and disadvantages of the methods. Names studies should also be learned.

Primary source

Secondary source

Open and closed questions

Questionnaire

Structured interview

Unstructured interview

Direct (non participant) observation

Participant observation

Overt and covert

Case study

Longitudinal study

Content analysis

Sample

Sampling frame

Types of sampling eg random, systematic, opportunity, quota, snowball, volunteer

Ethics

Consent - including informed consent

Confidentiality

Protection of participants

Qualitative

Quantitative

Family

Types of family eg extended, nuclear, cereal packet, symmetrical, single parent, reconstituted (blended)

Alternatives to the family eg kibbutz

Functionalist, Marxist and Feminist views of the family

Functions of the family:

Reproduction

Primary socialisation

Economic support

Sexual function and regulation

Emotional support including stabilisation of the personality

Role model

Marriage

Divorce

Divorce Reform Act

Roles in the family

Gender roles

Parental roles

Conjugal roles - including joint roles and segregated roles

Dual burden

Triple shift

Changes in the family over time and in different cultures

Named studies for family-

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