

HELSEBY

Sixth Form



Year 11 Sixth Form Transition Material

Sociology

Congratulations on choosing to study Sociology at A Level

The information and tasks contained in this booklet will help you to research and prepare for your course when you start at Sixth Form Helsby in September. They will provide you with an overview of what to expect from your A Level studies and help you to develop a greater understanding of the subject.

This is by no means an exhaustive list but it will help you to start thinking about the subject and extra-curricular study and research.

Podcasts/TED talk

- Thinking allowed - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006qy05/episodes/download>
- Social Science Bites - <https://www.socialsciencespace.com/about-socialsciencebites/>
- Do Schools Make a Difference? - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b01b9hjs>
- Marxism today - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b07gf9l7>
- Weber and the Protestant Work Ethic - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b05nvj7j>
- Crime and Deviance - <https://sociologytwynham.com/2012/05/15/crime-deviance-podcasts/>
- TED talk: Kandice Sumner – How America’s public school keep kids in poverty.
https://www.ted.com/talks/kandice_sumner_how_america_s_public_schools_keep_kids_in_poverty?language=en
- Radio 4 podcast ‘A subversive history of school reform’
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b07knmpc>
- Podcast: Sociology of the Personal Life
<https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/sociology//AQA-7191-7192-POD1-PL.MP3>
- Radio 4 podcasts about being a single parent
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p04xw9y6>
- TED talk: Bryan Stevenson – We need to talk about injustice
https://www.ted.com/talks/bryan_stevenson_we_need_to_talk_about_an_injustice
- TED talk: Noy Thrupkaew – Human Trafficking is all around you
https://www.ted.com/talks/noy_thrupkaew_human_trafficking_is_all_around_you_this_is_how_it_works
- Karl Marx on Alienation - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p02h7dlv>
- Radio 4 Podcast “A Subversive History of School Reform” -
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b07knmpc>
- TED talk: Marlon Peterson – Am I not human? -
https://www.ted.com/talks/marlon_peterson_am_i_not_human_a_call_for_criminal_justice_reform
- Feminine Beauty: a social construct? - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p02b95yv>

Trips/Visits

- V & A Museum of Childhood, Bethnal Green London
- Museum of London: Votes for Women (virtual exhibition)
<https://virtualexhibitions.museumoflondon.org.uk/votes-for-women>
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Reading

- 1984 – George Orwell
- Chavs: The Demonisation of the Working Class – Owen Jones
- To Kill a Mockingbird – Harper Lee
- On Beauty – Zadie Smith
- Toxic Childhood – Sue Palmer
- The Bone Sparrow – Zana Fraillon
- Sociology Review
- Invisible Women – Caroline Criado-Perez

Films/Documentaries/TV

- Louis Theroux – Westborough Baptist Church
- Land of Hope and Glory
- Sleeping with the Enemy – Julia Roberts
- Freedom Writers
- A Very British School – Documentary about Harrow
- The History Boys
- Educating Essex/Yorkshire/Manchester etc
- Child of Our Time – BBC
- Secret Life of 5 Year Olds
- A Bug's Life (Marxism)
- Amish: a secret life
- McMafia – BBC TV series
- Erin Brockovich
- The Green Mile
- Billy Elliot
- 12 Years a Slave
- Made in Dagenham
- Wonder
- Pride

UCAS

<https://www.ucas.com/explore/search/all?query=Sociology>

Other related courses (but the list is endless!!)

<https://www.ucas.com/explore/search/all?query=Law>

<https://www.ucas.com/explore/search/all?query=Teaching>

<https://www.ucas.com/explore/search/all?query=Social%20Work>

<https://www.ucas.com/> - Takes you to the search engine and enter any course/subject you are interested in.