

# Sociology A-Level AQA



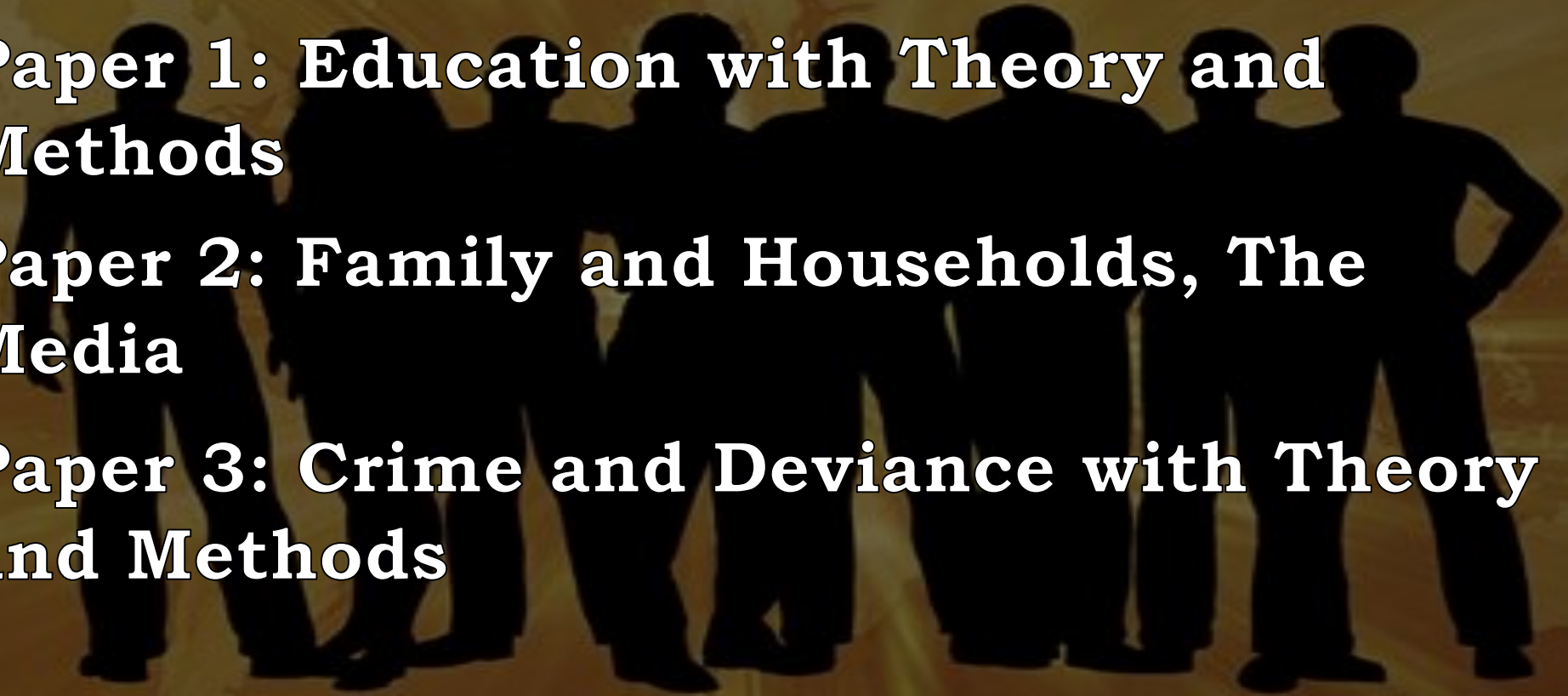
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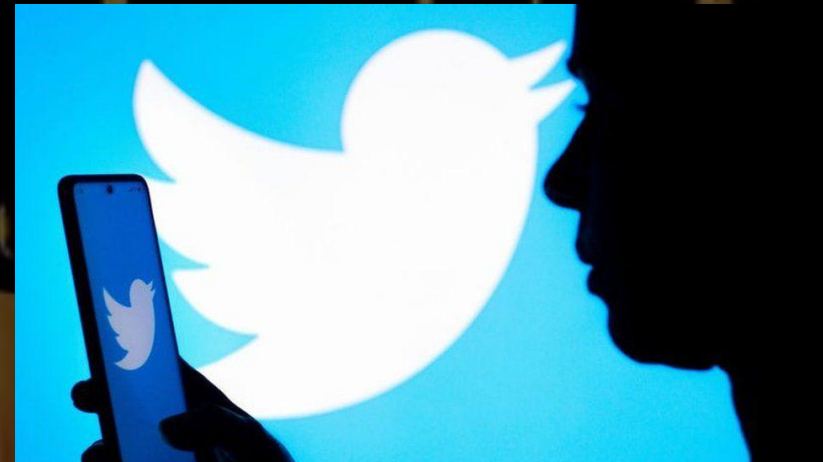
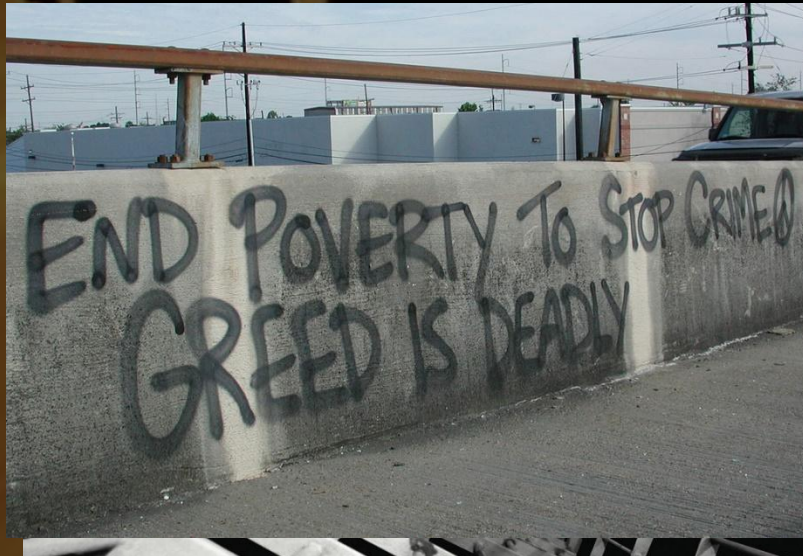
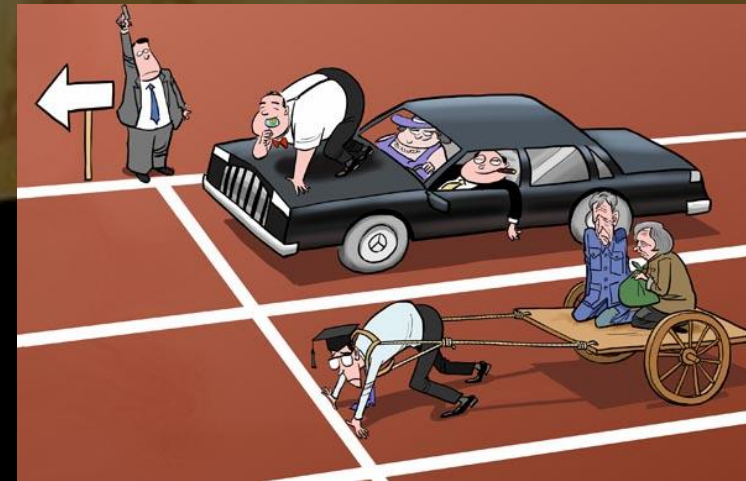
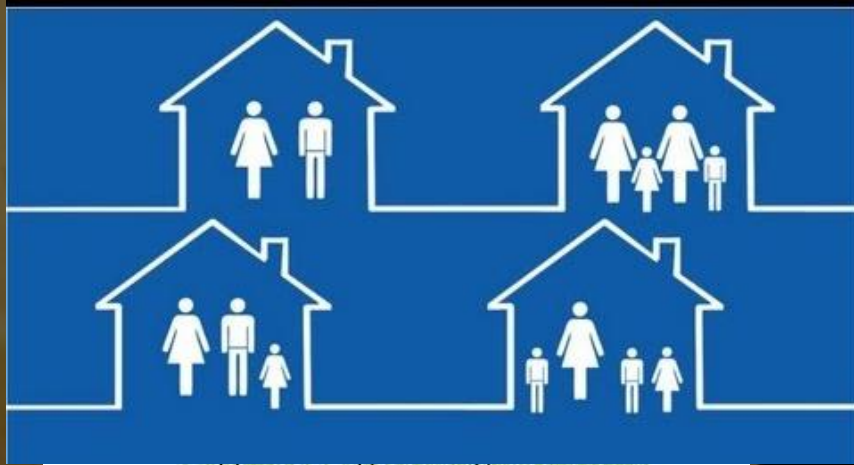
**Paper 1: Education with Theory and Methods**

**Paper 2: Family and Households, The Media**

**Paper 3: Crime and Deviance with Theory and Methods**



# The main areas of study...





# Why study sociology?

- Sociology allows students to use a number of different skills universities and employers value.
- Sociology is relevant to a host of other subject areas (politics, history, criminology, media studies etc.)
- Sociology teaches us how to conduct research and studies and analyse the findings.
- Sociology is interesting and may change your perspective on society.

# What is Sociology?

- Sociology is the study of how society is organised and the impact society and its institutions have on our lives.
- We will use explore of contemporary issues which have a direct effect our everyday lives.
- We will explore different theories of how society works and apply them to current affairs.
- The exams are essay based and so literary skills are necessary!



## Clever girls, stupid boys?



Sean Coughlan  
Education correspondent

5 March 2015 | Education & Family



Clever girls, stupid boys. That's become something of a modern education orthodoxy, as girls across the developed world are more likely to get top exam grades and university places.

The gap is so great that the UK's university admissions authority has warned that being male could soon be seen as a new form of social disadvantage.

• Is this evidence of a gender gap in society?

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## How do we close the education gender gap?



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By Jonathan Wells

The Telegraph

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## Education gap between the sexes at its narrowest for 16 years as A-level grade inflation is halted



### Cheers and tears for students over A-levels



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# An example of a study...

## Ethnicity and Cocaine Sentences



# Sociology around us

Modern World	Post-Modern World
<b>Fixed, stable</b>	<b>Fragmentation, instability</b>
<b>Rationalisation</b>	<b>Choice and Individualism</b>
<b>Science and technology dominate</b>	<b>Increasing “choice”</b>
<b>Medicine, communications</b>	<b>Media saturation</b>
<b>Belief in “meta-narratives”</b>	<b>Rise of “narratives”</b>



