# A level Sociology at Conyers Sixth Form



Is crime really on the increase in modern Britain? Are people influenced by what they see and read in the media? Should we care about homeless people and those who live below the poverty line? Why are people prejudiced and hold racist and sexist views? Is Britain really fair and do we really get equal opportunities?



Should private schools be abolished? These are just some of the interesting questions we ask in Sociology, which we definitely change the way you think and see the word.

**Sociology** is defined as 'the study of society and social behavior', and sociologists are often critical of our society and how it is organised.

### **Course Content**

The topics covered in the course include the analysis of many social issues, including;

- Racism, and prejudice
- Poverty and inequality
- Crime, deviance and criminality
- Media bias
- Globalisation
- The role of religion
- Culture and identity
- Methods of social research
- Sociological theories such as feminism, Marxism and post-modernism



There are three exams each of which last for 2 hours. Students are expected to write essays which display the vital skills of evaluation and analysis

# **Opportunities and Experiences**

Debates with political figures

Visits to local universities and law enforcement agencies

Trips to London (provisional)





# What can you do with A level Sociology?

**Studying A Level Sociology** can be extremely valuable if you wish to pursue a career in he following;

- The Criminal Justice System (lawyer, police, probation, prison service)
- Education (teacher, classroom assistant, educational psychologist)
- The Media (reporter, journalist)
- Social Services (social worker, welfare officer)
- Health Care (nurse, midwife)

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The course is designed for students who have never studied Sociology before. Above all, Sociology enables students to view society and social problems in a critical way and, therefore, it is likely to appeal to those who like to question and challenge things.



## Lucy Bell - 'Social Policy' at the University of York

"I specifically enjoy learning about the crime and deviance in modern Britain, and this made me think about things I had never considered before. Without any question, Sociology changes the way you see the world and encourages you to have your own opinions in important topics. I loved it!" -

Lucy

# Sophie Morgan - 'Primary Education' at Northumbria

"Conyers Sixth Form really supported me through studying for my A levels and prepared me for university study. Sociology helped me with the important skills of analysis and evaluation and how to write interesting and thoughtprovoking essays.—



# Sophie

Sociology Exam Board: AQA

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