

The Sociology of Education (unit 2536 option 2)

These are your set assessment assignments for this module. Note that this is a minimum of work to be completed.

<i>WEEK</i>	<i>DATE DUE IN</i>	<i>TASK</i>	<i>KS</i>
1.		Using the textbooks, and as many sources as you can, suggest a school system which you think would be better than the one you currently experience. You may work with a partner. Be imaginative in your ideas.	C PS
2.		List the similarities and the differences between the functionalist view of education and the Marxist view of education.	C
3.		Detailed essay (1500 words max) <i>Evaluate the usefulness of labelling theory to account for educational underachievement.</i> Back up your claims with the use of statistical evidence taken from texts.	C N
4.		Make notes on your family and your friends. What experiences did they have in school. Suggest what you think are the most important changes which have taken place over the years. You should comment on legal changes.	C ICT WP
5.		Make notes on any observation which you have conducted in any school situation. What conclusions can you draw about observation as a method? What did you learn about education from the experience?	C WP
6.		Choose one researcher, project or theorist from any of the texts or from the Internet and make simple notes to pool with the rest of the class.	C ICT
7.		Either create a series of notes or write an essay to the title: <i>It is not the role of education to change society.</i> This will be the subject of a class debate.	C ICT

C= communication, N = application of number, ICT= information technology,
PS = problem solving, WP = working with people, LS = learning skills