

## SOCIOLOGY GCSE

Sociology is an exciting subject that allows you to study a variety of social issues that affect you and people around you. If you enjoy class debates and want to ask questions about our society and other cultures, then Sociology is the course for you. It is a social science which means that we try to look at what happens in the world in a scientific and unemotional way. The course is assessed by two exams both worth 50%. You'll sit both exams at the end of year 11 when you'll have the best knowledge of the topics covered such as crime, media, education and family.

Sociology is about learning to understand how we organise our own lives and why we behave as we do. We discuss, debate and research issues and questions such as:

- Why we have police?
- What makes someone a criminal?
- Are people born evil?
- Are all families the same?
- What would it be like to go to a different school?
- Do girls do better than boys in exams?
- What makes you human?
- Why is society unequal?
- Why is the divorce rate increasing?
- What are the effects of stereotypes and labelling?
- How does the UK compare to other cultures?



### Career Options

Sociology is a good general subject. It can be combined with sciences or with arts subjects and goes especially well with subjects like Geography, Psychology and History. Sociology is particularly useful to those considering a career in business, youth work, teaching or the police.