

## Introduction

The specification for Sociology A2 in a “normal” year comprises of 2 units which together count towards the overall award of the Geography GCSE.

Unit 3 Power and Control– this is a written examination of 2 hours

Unit 4 Social Inequality and Applied methods of Social Enquiry - this is a written examination of 2 hours 15 minutes

In June 2020 WJEC announced amendments to the course due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Some of the content of the Crime and Deviance module was moved from the qualification. The specification was altered to include only Theoretical Contributions to an understanding of Crime and Deviance. This has been reflected in the content that has been taught to year 13 and is reflected in the assessment points shown below.

## Sources of evidence for Centre Determined Grades in Geography

Assessment point 1 = Past paper exam questions completed in lesson under **high control** (a timed 40-mark essay) on theoretical explanations for Crime and Deviance. Completed the week beginning the 9<sup>th</sup> of November.

Assessment point 2 = Past paper question on theoretical explanations for social class inequality completed in lesson under **high control** using WJEC past papers and mark schemes in the week beginning the 14<sup>th</sup> of December.

Assessment point 3 = Past paper question on Marxist explanations for Crime and Deviance completed outside of the classroom without direct supervision following an online lesson. This was completed in students own time under **low control** due to a period of /lockdown in the week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> March.

Assessment point 4 = = Past paper question describing and evaluating Functionalist explanations for Social Inequality completed in lessons under **high control** conditions in the week beginning the 22<sup>nd</sup> of March.

Assessment point 5 = Standardised assessment materials provided by WJEC to assess all covered content in Unit 3 (**27<sup>th</sup> of April**)

Assessment point 6 = Standardised assessment materials provided by WJEC to assess all covered content in Unit 4. This assessment was completed over 3 lessons under **high control. (11<sup>th</sup> May)**

Class work = A range of knowledge and skills are demonstrated by students in Sociology lessons through their performance in low stakes summative assessment which includes recall tests, quizzes, verbal answers to question, small tasks carried out that are not necessarily graded or levelled, longer independent learning tasks and other low stakes tests such as use of online resources. Students Sociological skills in assessment, analysis, critical thinking and evaluation have been closely monitored by teachers this year.

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Non-Examined Assessment = There has been some research work completed by students to be considered in a portfolio of evidence in June 2021.