

STUDENT WEBINAR

NEW: BRIDGE THE GAP STUDENT WEBINAR: THEORIES AND PERSPECTIVES IN A LEVEL SOCIOLOGY

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This webinar is designed to help students tackle learning theoretical perspectives in sociology and using them confidently in their answers. Delivered by an expert Sociology teacher and examiner, to complement and support your own teaching. The webinar consolidates existing knowledge whilst looking forward to how it is examined. It offers advice on what students need to know and how they can build up their learning of theoretical perspectives as they study the topics. It also offers advice on using material from other topics to answer theory and methods questions on paper 1 and paper 3. This webinar can act as a useful reference point for future teaching and revision and has a complimentary teacher webinar earlier in the year.

PROGRAMME

	TIME
Welcome and Introduction	4.00 - 4.05pm
Outline of the key perspectives in Sociology – what do you need to know	4.05 - 4.15pm
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Functionalism ● Marxism ● Feminism ● Social Action theory ● Postmodernism ● Clear summaries of the main features of each perspective ● Key terms that should be introduced when discussing each perspective ● How each perspective can be applied to substantive topics 	
Learning perspectives through substantive topics	4.15 - 4.35pm
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Start with the basics ● Application to enable understanding ● Focusing on the perspective ● Using your knowledge and understanding to develop deeper understanding ● Theories as ways of seeing the world. Theories in everyday life. What are the key theoretical debates? How do different sociologists view the world differently? ● Using the topics to highlight key features of sociological perspectives ● How to use knowledge from substantive topics e.g. education or the family, to understand the key theoretical debates ● Strategies to encourage students to use their knowledge of perspectives to analyse social issues and debates – taking theoretical debate to wider society 	
Preparing for theory & methods questions	4.35 - 4.55pm
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● How to include material from substantive topics ● How to develop theoretical skills ● Key themes and questions in exams ● Developing evaluation in perspectives questions ● How to use theoretical knowledge of substantive topics in Theory & methods answers – what to include and how to include it. ● What will the questions look like? ● How to show evaluation and theoretical debate in your answers. ● How to get top band marks. 	
Final tips and Questions	4.55 - 5.00pm
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Overview of content ● Questions 	

DATE

Tuesday 10 November 2020

WEBINAR LEADER

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FOCUS POINTS

- Outline of the main perspectives in sociology – understanding what students need to know to maximise their grades
- Offer strategies for learning and understanding perspectives within substantive topics to build confidence in the use of perspectives
- Advice and guidance on answering theory and methods questions on paper 1 and paper 3