



# Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural delivery in Sociology

Aims of Spiritual Development	Spiritual Development in Sociology
Explore beliefs and experience; respect faiths, feelings and values; enjoy learning about oneself, others and the surrounding world; use imagination and creativity; be reflective.	<p>The focus of Sociology is thinking about various aspects of human society and the social institutions that make up society.</p> <p>Students are encouraged to debate the various aspects of contemporary society, considering all viewpoints.</p> <p>One unit of A Level Sociology is 'Beliefs' and looks at how beliefs can impact on social change or stability.</p>

## Examples of good practice:

- ❖ Studying the features of church organisations, denomination, cult and sects across cultures
- ❖ Creating questionnaires to investigate the impact of beliefs and ideology on the individual.
- ❖ Exploring and debating the impact of globalisation of belief systems.
- ❖ Assessing the extent and growth of secularisation and its link to fundamentalism



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Aims of Moral Development	Moral Development in Sociology
<p>Recognise right and wrong; respect the law; understand consequences; investigate moral and ethical issues; offer reasoned views.</p>	<p>Ethical issues within sociological research is an A level syllabus topic in itself.</p> <p>Students must be familiar with ethical guidelines for research as issued by the British Sociological Society and put these into practice during project work.</p> <p>The A Level unit 'Crime and Deviance' provides an in-depth coverage of the UK penal system and the impact of crime on victims. This provides plenty of time for discussion of crime in general.</p>

Examples of good practice:

- ❖ Knowledge of possible ethical conflicts in research
- ❖ Examples of poor practice
- ❖ Knowledge of BSS guidelines



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Aims of Social Development	Social Development in Sociology
<p>Use a range of social skills; participate in the local community; appreciate diverse viewpoints; participate, volunteer and cooperate; resolve conflict; engage with the <b>'British values'</b> of democracy, the rule of law, liberty, respect and tolerance.</p>	<p>The nature of the subject encourages appreciation of different viewpoints.</p> <p>Students are encouraged to work together to solve problems and take part in research projects as part of a team.</p> <p>The A Level syllabus topic of 'Crime and Deviance' involves in depth study of the British legal system.</p> <p>Students are encouraged to take part in visits to local court buildings and prisons.</p>

## Examples of good practice:

- ❖ Use national statistical data to look at both national and local crime rates.
- ❖ Describe the workings of the legal system
- ❖ Attend student conferences



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Aims of Cultural Development	Cultural Development in Sociology
Appreciate cultural influences; appreciate the role of Britain's parliamentary system; participate in culture opportunities; understand, accept, respect and celebrate diversity.	Many of the topics covered within the syllabus explore cultural differences.  Display work covers a diverse range of cultures.

## Examples of good practice:

- ❖ Explore and debate the cultural differences in families and households
- ❖ Differences in educational achievement – cultural, gender, class
- ❖ Using statistics to explore cultural differences in criminal activity.
- ❖ Explaining criminal activity by looking at the role of the criminal justice system