

Y13 Sociology		Curriculum Checkpoints			
		Developing	Securing	Mastering	Excelling
AO1	You need to be able to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of: ~sociological theories, concepts and evidence ~sociological research methods.	Your answers show limited and undeveloped knowledge. You understand only limited aspects of questions and only have simplistic understanding of the content from items.	Your answers show largely accurate knowledge but there is limited range and depth. You understand some limited but significant aspects of questions and have a superficial understanding of the content from items.	Your answers show accurate, broad or deep but incomplete knowledge. You understand a number of significant aspects of questions and demonstrate a good understanding of content from items.	Your answers show sound and conceptually detailed knowledge of a range of relevant material. You show a sophisticated understanding of questions and of the material in items.
AO2	You need to be able to apply sociological theories, concepts, evidence and research methods to a variety of questions.	You only give limited application of suitable material and/or you use material that is often at a tangent to the demands of questions.	You can apply content from the general topic area but with limited regard for its relevance to issues raised by questions. Sometimes you can apply a more narrow range of relevant material.	You can apply content that is mainly explicitly relevant to the question. Some of your content is inadequately focused.	You can apply appropriate material accurately and with sensitivity.
AO3	You need to be able to analyse and evaluate sociological theories, concepts, evidence and research methods in order to: ~present arguments ~make judgements ~draw conclusions	You give very limited or no evaluation. When you attempt analysis, it is thin and disjointed.	Your evaluation takes the form of juxtaposition of competing positions or one to two isolated stated points. Your analysis is limited, with mainly descriptive answers.	You give some limited explicit evaluation and/or some appropriate analysis.	You carry out explicit and relevant analysis and evaluation. Your evaluation is sometimes well developed and your analysis shows clear explanations. You can draw appropriate conclusions.