

Year 10 (2025–2026)	Year 11 (2026–2027)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">ATL Grades – October 2025Year 10 Assessment – Jan 2026Year 10 Mocks – April 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Year 11 Mock 1 – November 2026Year 11 Mock 2 – Feb/March 2027Re-Mock – March 2027GCSE Exams – May 2027

GCSE Assessment Timeline: Year 10 vs Year 11

Social Stratification (Spring, Yr 11)
You'll learn how society is divided by class, gender, ethnicity, and more — and how this affects people's life chances. You'll also explore power, poverty, and how sociologists explain inequality.

Education

Education (Summery 10)
Explore the purpose of education, differences in achievement (class, gender, ethnicity), school types, and government policies. Apply sociological theories to understand inequality in education.

Family

Families and Households (Spring, Yr 10)
Study family types and diversity, marriage and divorce, changing gender roles, childhood, and the role of the elderly. Compare different sociological views on the family (Functionalism, Marxism, Feminism).

Research Methods (Autumn 10)
Understand how sociologists carry out investigations:
•Primary vs secondary data
•Qualitative and quantitative methods
•Sampling, questionnaires, interviews, pilot studies

How Will You Be Assessed?

- Check & Build**
Quick quizzes, short answers, paragraph planning, peer marking, and carousel tasks to help you practise and improve as you go.
- Show What You Know**
End-of-topic tests, extended exam-style answers, mock paper tasks, and "checkpoint" assessments to apply your learning.
- Review & Revise**
Revision games, synoptic tasks, past papers, model answers, and progress trackers to help you prepare and connect ideas.

Yr. 11

Year 11 – Applying Your Knowledge: Understanding Social Structures

Crime

Crime and Deviance (Autumn, Yr. 11)
You'll explore what counts as crime, why people break the rules, and how different groups experience the justice system. You'll study crime patterns, social control, and theories like Marxism, Feminism, and Interactionism.

Social Stratification



Introduction

Introduction to Sociology (Autumn, Y10)
What is sociology? Explore norms, values, culture, identity, socialisation, and the nature vs nurture debate. Learn how we acquire identity through agents like family, peers, and media.

Yr. 10

Year 10 – Building the Foundations: Understanding Social Processes



Cross-Curricular Links at Coopers

Skill Area	Linked GCSE Subjects
Essay Writing & Argument	English Language and Literature, History, RS/Philosophy
Analysis of Data and Research Methods	Maths (graphs, data sets), Combined Science (methodology), Geography (fieldwork methods)
Understanding Inequality, Identity & Power	Citizenship+ Politics themes in PSHE, Media Studies
Interpretation & Evaluation of Sources	Media, History, English Literature
Global & Cultural Understanding	Geography, Languages (French, Spanish), Art & Design (representation)