## **GCSE - Learner Profile Comments - Sociology**

The Sociology GCSE follows the EDUQAS brand of the WJEC. Learners are graded on a 9-1 scale, as is the case for English GCSE qualifications, with 9 being the highest.

Projected	Wales	EOY GCSE Comments
Grade	Conversion	
9		<ul> <li>A grade 9 learner in Sociology is able to:</li> <li>demonstrate relevant, detailed and comprehensive knowledge and understanding of a wide range of sociological theories, concepts, evidence and research methods</li> <li>consistently apply relevant sociological theories and concepts accurately to UK and some global contexts, with sustained use of appropriate subject specific terminology</li> <li>critically analyse and evaluate theories, concepts, evidence and research methods to present detailed arguments</li> <li>create substantiated judgements and well evidenced conclusions.</li> </ul>
8	A*	<ul> <li>A grade 8 learner in Sociology is able to:</li> <li>demonstrate relevant and comprehensive knowledge and understanding of a wide range of sociological theories, concepts, evidence and research methods</li> <li>apply relevant sociological theories and concepts accurately to UK and some global contexts, using appropriate subject specific terminology</li> <li>critically analyse and evaluate theories, concepts, evidence and research methods to present arguments</li> <li>create substantiated judgements and well evidenced conclusions.</li> </ul>
7	A	<ul> <li>A grade 7 learner in Sociology is able to:</li> <li>demonstrate broad, relevant and accurate knowledge and understanding of a range of sociological theories, concepts, evidence and research methods</li> <li>apply appropriate sociological theories and concepts to UK and some global contexts, using appropriate subject specific terminology</li> <li>critically analyse and evaluate some theories, concepts, evidence and research methods, to create clear and detailed judgements and conclusions using relevant evidence.</li> </ul>
6	В	<ul> <li>A grade 6 learner in Sociology is able to:</li> <li>demonstrate broad, accurate knowledge and understanding of a range of sociological theories, concepts, evidence and research methods</li> <li>apply appropriate sociological theories and concepts to UK and some global contexts, using appropriate subject specific terminology</li> <li>analyse and evaluate theories, concepts, evidence and research methods to create clear judgements and conclusions using relevant evidence.</li> </ul>

		A grade 5 learner in Sociology is able to:  • demonstrate mostly accurate knowledge and understanding of a range
5 Strong pass		of sociological theories, concepts, evidence and research methods <ul> <li>apply mostly appropriate sociological theories and concepts to UK and some global contexts, using some subject specific terminology</li> <li>analyse and evaluate some theories, concepts, evidence and research methods to create plausible judgements and conclusions with some evidence.</li> </ul>
4 Standard pass	C	A grade 4 learner in Sociology is able to:
		<ul> <li>demonstrate some accurate, appropriate knowledge and understanding of a limited range of sociological theories, some concepts, evidence and research methods</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>apply some appropriate sociological theories and concepts to the UK using some subject specific terminology</li> </ul>
		evaluate some information to create partial conclusions and
		judgements, supported by evidence.
3	D	A grade 3 learner in Sociology is able to:
		demonstrate some accurate, appropriate knowledge and understanding of a limited range of sociological theories, some concepts, evidence and research methods
		<ul> <li>apply in a limited way appropriate sociological theories and concepts to the UK using limited subject specific terminology</li> </ul>
	E	<ul> <li>evaluate some information to create partial conclusions and judgements.</li> </ul>
		judgements.
2		A grade 2 learner in Sociology is able to:
	F	demonstrate a basic knowledge and understanding of some
		<ul> <li>sociological theories, concepts, evidence and research methods</li> <li>apply in a limited way basic theories, concepts and evidence</li> </ul>
		describe, and make simple arguments and judgements.
1	G	A grade 1 learner in Sociology is able to:
		demonstrate very basic knowledge and understanding of some
		sociological theories, concepts, evidence and research methods
		<ul> <li>apply in a very limited way basic theories, concepts and evidence</li> <li>describe, and make very simple arguments and judgements.</li> </ul>