Foxford Learning Plan

Year: 12/13

Topic: Families & Households

Term: Spring

Key Vocabulary	
Nuclear family	Cohabitation
Extended family	Divorce
Symmetrical family	Childhood
Domestic division of labour	Demographic transition
Expressive role	Fertility rate
Instrumental role	Household diversity
Conjugal roles	Empty shell marriage
Secularisation	

Key Skills

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- Explain different sociological perspectives on the family (functionalist, Marxist, feminist, postmodernist).
- Analyse changes in family structures (nuclear, extended, lone-parent, reconstituted, same-sex).
- Evaluate the impact of social policies on families.
- Discuss changes in marriage, cohabitation, divorce, childbearing and childhood.
- Assess the relationship between families and wider social change (industrialisation, globalisation, individualisation).

I will understand

- How sociologists explain the role and functions of the family in society.
- How family structures and roles have changed over time.
- The relationship between gender equality, power and family life.
- The impact of social policy and legislation on families.
- Trends in marriage, divorce, cohabitation, childbearing and childhood.
- How globalisation and demographic changes influence family patterns.