

NOTICE TO CENTRES

FAO: The Head of Sociology

Date: January 2009

Subject: GCSE Sociology – new specification for first teaching in September 2009

Specification Changes

OCR has made some amendments to the GCSE Sociology Specification. These amendments have been corrected in the version now available on the OCR website and have also been amended in the final printed copies available from OCR. It is important that if you downloaded the original copy of the specification from the OCR website, or if you have received a paper copy of the specification, you are aware of these corrections.

- On Page 9 of the specification, *Unit B671, Sociology Basics* - under section 3.1.2, sub heading Evaluation, the concept of 'representativeness' has been added.
- On Page 18 of the specification, *Unit B672, Socialisation, Culture and Identity* - under section 3.2.5, sub heading Explanations of Crime, the bullets labelled 'opportunity' and 'structure' should read 'lack of opportunity' and 'structural causes'.
- Pages 23 and 24 of the specification, *Unit B673 Applying Sociological Research Techniques* - under section 3.3.3, 3.3.4 and 3.3.5, there is frequent reference to 'Two primary methods' and 'Two secondary sources'. This reference to 'Two' has been removed, leaving 'primary methods' and 'secondary sources'.

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