

## Sociological Perspectives on Education Mind Maps

Three beautiful mind maps covering the three main sociological perspectives on education – Functionalism, Marxism and the New Right.

**Mind map 1 – the functionalist perspective on education** – covering social solidarity; how education teaches skills for work; particularistic and universalistic values; role allocation and meritocracy. Also includes positive evaluations and criticisms.

**Mind map 2 – the Marxist perspective on education** – covering the ideological state apparatus; the reproduction and legitimation of class inequality; the correspondence principle; Paul Willis' study of the counter school culture. Also includes positive evaluations and criticisms.

**Mind map 2 – the neoliberal and new right perspective on education** – covering the basics of neoliberalism and the new right, including the principles of injection free market principles in order to drive up standards in education, and a summary of Chubb and Moe's voucher system. Also includes positive evaluations and criticisms.

### Formatting

This zip file contains the mind maps in the following three formats: PDFs, PNGs (image) and SMXX (Simple Mind).

The PDFs are best for printing, the PNG (image) files are best for quick access viewing on phones or tablets.

### How to use these mind maps

It is assumed that you have already worked through, or are currently working through the A level syllabus, with the assistance of text books and (ideally) a competent teacher.

The point of these maps is not to teach the content, they are revision-aids, which provide a quick visual-overview of the core content of the A level sociology specification.

Their main use will be to reinforce how all of the various bits of knowledge in the A level sociology syllabus fit together, and they should also help you to keep this information fresh in your mind in the build up to the exam.

I hope you find them useful.

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