**A-Level Sociology Essay Feedback Sheet**

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| Name: | Topic: |

**AO1 Knowledge and Understanding**

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| No points relevant to the question. | Some points with vague relevance to the question. | Good knowledge shown but descriptive and lacking evidence.  | Good knowledge often backed up with relevant studies and data. | Excellent awareness of relevant principles, theories and methods backed up with appropriate use of evidence.  |
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**AO2 Interpretation and application**

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| No interpretation of sociological material. | Limited use of material to analyse sociological debates and arguments. | Solid awareness of sociological arguments, but often in the form of description with little critical element.  | Shows good awareness of competing arguments although these may not be treated fully critically.  | Excellent ability to apply concepts, theories and evidence to support arguments whilst working to a clear conclusion. |
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**AO3 Analysis and Evaluation**

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| No evidence of being able to analyse and assess sociological material and arguments. | Some analysis offered, but basic, lacking detail and skewed towards description.  | Analysis is good, but likely to be list-like and mainly descriptive.  | There is a reasoned and balanced analysis, although this veers towards reproduction of knowledge rather than critical thinking.  | Excellent and consistent com parative and/or critical analysis demonstrated whilst recognising the limitations of evidence.  |
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**What you did well: Your essay is:**

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| Relevant and focused on the question. Addresses the main issues.  | Organised and well structured. Has clarity and is easily read.  | Analysis and evaluation explicit and balanced.  | Informed by relevant research and evidence.  | Includes Sociological terminology and concepts.  |

**Thing to work on…. Try to…**

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| Include more research evidence | Link your narrative and analysis to the mark scheme. | Include more sociological vocabulary. | Elaborate your points. They are too brief.  | Plan first, and put in a more logical order.  |
| Work on your handwriting to make it easier to read.  | Write more! This is too short for an A-Level essay.  | Use the correct linking statements to show where you are evaluating.  | Don’t shopping list your work. You are better off making fewer points and elaborating on them.  | Stay focused on the question. There is too much irrelevant material.  |
| Reduce the amount of detail. This essay is too long. | Reduce the detail of the research studies- focus on what they show in regards to the question.  | Be careful with your spelling sociological terminology. | Include evaluation in your essay- try to select 3 good points and evaluate them.  | Develop your evaluation and analysis by asking SO WHAT? This brings about more effective analysis. |

**General Comments:**

Mark: / Target Grade: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Actual Grade: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_