***G672 – Topics in Socialisation, Culture and Identity: Family***

Use this checklist to ensure that you have covered all the areas needed for success in your exams. The following topics will be covered in class. However, it will be your responsibility to make sure that you catch up with any topics you miss and to actively revise the different areas.

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| **Topic area** | **Covered in class** | **Revised 1** | | **Revised 2** |
| 1. Key concepts and key trends within the family | | | | |
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| 2. The role of the family in society | | | | |
| Functionalism |  |  | |  |
| Marxism |  |  | |  |
| 3. Family diversity | | | | |
| Different types of family diversity:  • single-parent families;  • beanpole families;  • reconstituted families;  • cultural diversity;  • class diversity;  • sexual diversity. |  | |  |  |
| Contemporary views of family diversity:  • post-modern;  • New Right. |  | |  |  |
| 4. Roles, responsibilities and relationships within the family | | | | |
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| Sociological explanations:  • functionalist;  • Marxist;  • feminist explanations (liberal, Marxist, radical). |  |  | |  |
| Demographic changes, including:  • ageing population;  • family size. |  |  | |  |