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Sociology Transition Work

Design your Ideal Education System Task

Date to be handed in: 2nd week September 2024

TASK:

Sociologists are interested in the role that education plays in our lives. ALL individuals aged between 5 and 16 engage in some form of education.

Does the education system get it right? Sociologists have already discovered the education system may not be providing the best education possible.

Often, working-class children end up in working-class jobs whilst middle-class children end up in middle-class, better-paid jobs. *Why?*

Also, girls tend to excel in the education system compared to boys. Boys seem to have more behavioural problems than girls. *Why?*

Some students from ethnic minority backgrounds seem to face extra barriers that have a negative impact on their educational success. *Why?*

Design a **better education system**…create your own school.

1. **Design of your Y7 to Y13 school:**
   (Think about physical layout and appearance of your school. Where do you want to spend your money the most: sports/music/science facilities? Are you going to have a uniform?)

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2. **Curriculum and programme of your school:**

(Think about lessons you would offer, would you stick with traditional subjects? Would you offer a variety? What extra-curricular activities you would offer? Would you offer a counselling service? Be open minded, think about what students might benefit from)

3. If your school has **limited funding** for only a restricted number of students to enter the sixth form, how would you decide who would be accepted into the sixth form? Would you set specific entry requirements? Explain your response.