

1. Families and Social Policies

Learning objectives:

- To identify, discuss and give examples of social policies which may affect families in the UK
- To discuss and given examples of social policies affecting the family in other countries



Think:

Do we live in a perfect world?



1. Discuss the image
2. Define the key terms- p. 2WB:

Social problems/ issues

Social policy

Private sphere

Public sphere

Self- assess

- **Social issues-** Issues within/ affecting society e.g. poverty, homelessness
- **Social policy-** laws, plans and actions of the state which are introduced to address social issues/ problems in society

Public sphere

Private sphere

Open to everyone

Open to a select few

Inclusive

Exclusive

Strangers engage/
interact with each
other

For example the
family

For example public
places

Families and Social Policies- cross cultural examples

Think, pair, share

Do you know of any
social policies
affecting the family
in other countries?

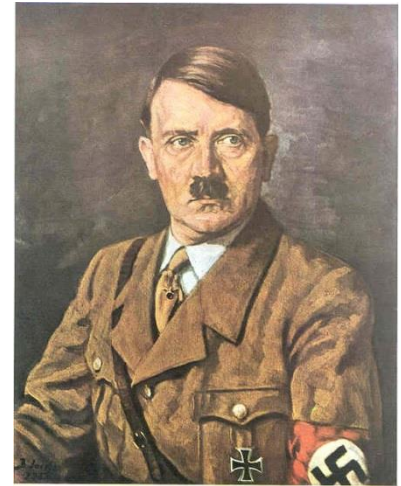


Who? Where? What?

- The Sterilization Law enacted in 1933
- The Nuremberg Laws 1935

Task:

Read and highlight p. 4 WB



China's one-child policy

[http://www.journeyman.tv/18984/s
hort-films/one-child-policy.html](http://www.journeyman.tv/18984/short-films/one-child-policy.html)

Task:

- Watch the video and answer the questions on p. 4WB
- Read p. 235TB



- Communist Romania

What policy did the former Communist government introduce in Romania in the 1980s?

- Nazi Family Policy

- Democratic societies

Task:

- Read p. 235TB and complete p3 of the WB

Families and Social Policies

There are 25 ministerial government departments; can you name at least 2?

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations>

There is no Government department responsible for **family policy**

Family life is directly/ indirectly influenced by decisions in the following areas:

- housing
- education
- taxation
- employment
- social security
- judicial decisions

Think



1. Should the State introduce policies which affect the family?
 2. Are decisions under the current pandemic impacting families??
- Explain your answer



AO2- Exam Tip

- Social policies change all the time,
- It is really important to keep up to date
- You can refer to recent and current changes to social policies in your exam answers.



AO2 Research Task:

Using the links below and other websites, research the following policy areas:

- <https://www.gov.uk/divorce/overview> - government site giving information on divorce
- <http://www.divorceaid.co.uk/legal/children.htm> - divorce and children
- <http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/incometax/married-allow.htm#1> - Married Couple's Allowance, including civil partnerships
- <https://www.gov.uk/browse/benefits/families> - government advice on benefits
- https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/262397/DFE-00214-2011.pdf
- - Families in the Foundation Years, evidence pack
- https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/212671/More_Affordable_Childcare.pdf - More affordable childcare, policy document
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/policies/improving-the-quality-and-range-of-educationand-childcare-from-birth-to-5-years> - Improving the quality and range of education and childcare from birth to 5 years

For each one: (make notes on the lined pages or post-it notes)

1. Outline current policy.
2. What effects might this policy have on individual family members and also on the family as a whole?
3. Which gender is likely to benefit most from this policy? Give reasons for your answer.
4. What family type benefits the most from current policy

AFL Practice – p14 WB

Outline and explain two ways in which social policies or laws may affect household or family size

[10 marks]