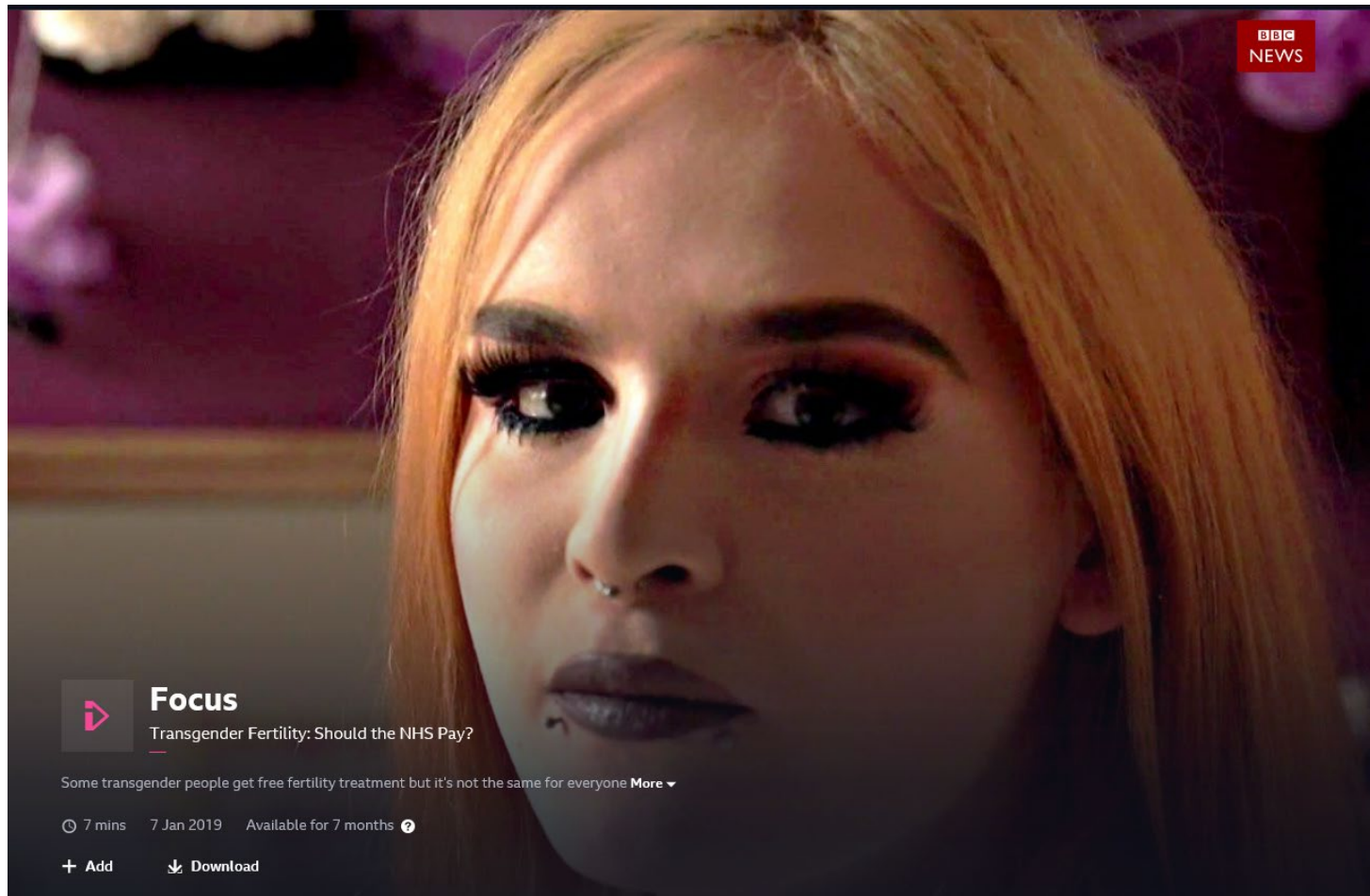


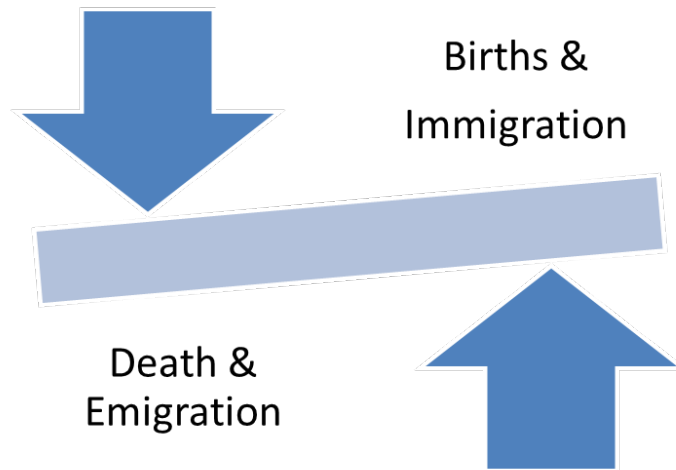
A photograph of a man with glasses and a dark sweater looking at a young child in a kitchen. The child is wearing a blue and white plaid shirt. The background shows wooden kitchen cabinets. The text "THE COST OF OPEN ADOPTION" is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font.

THE COST OF OPEN ADOPTION

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/p06x7cb9/focus-transgender-fertility-should-the-nhs-pay>



Demography



- To understand what demography is and why it is important in sociology
- To discuss birth rates and its impact on the UKs population

Starter

1. Read and highlight the key points on p. 2
WB/ read p. 199TB
2. What is the study of demography?
3. Why is the study of demography important in sociology?

Exam tip

1. Can you define the key term?
2. Do you know the current trend?
3. Do you know the reason for the current trend?
4. Do you know the effect/ implication of the current trend?

UK Population

- 1801- 10.5million
- 1901- 37 million
- 2019- 65 million
- 2031- 71 million



UK population to pass 70m in 2029, ONS projections say

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The UK's population is set to exceed 70 million before the end of the next decade, according to the Office for National Statistics.

The UK population was estimated to stand at 65.6 million in 2016.

The **ONS projections** are now for a 3.6 million, or 5.5%, increase over the 10 years to 2026, with the 70m mark being passed in the middle of 2029.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-politics-41761292>

Demography

**What factors cause
population to decline?**

**What factors cause
population to
increase?**

Demography

What factors cause population to decline?

- Emigration
- Death

What factors cause population to increase?

- Birth
- Immigration

Births

Birth rate: the number of live births per thousand of the population per year

Task:

Analyse the trends of births in the UK- what pattern do you notice?

p. 3WB



Births in the UK

- Decline in the number of births since 1900
- There have been fluctuations in births- 3 baby booms in C20th(first two after WW1 and WW2)

Class discussion

What factors have affected the birth rates in the UK?

1. Changes in the position of women
2. Decline in infant mortality
3. Children are an economic liability
4. Child centeredness

Task: read p. 200-201TB

Fill in p. 4WB



A02- UK Example

Scotland's birth rate continues to fall

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<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-47555226>



The birth rate in Scotland in the last three months of the year has fallen to its lowest level since records began.

The **National Records of Scotland** (NRS) has released the figures from 1 October to 31 December 2018.

A total of 12,580 births were registered - the lowest fourth quarterly figure since 1855.

It was the second lowest figure since records began - only beaten by 2002, when 12,374 births were recorded in the first quarter of the year.

Paul Lowe, the Registrar General for Scotland, said there had been a downward trend since 2008.

"This is the second record-low number of quarterly births in a row, with quarter three also falling to its lowest level in 2018," he said.

"The number of deaths fell compared to the recent peak recorded in the fourth quarter of 2017, but was slightly higher than the average of the previous five years."

A02- cross cultural example

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NIgYXaldr7E>

Read and highlight the key points on p. 5 WB

China birth rate: Mothers, your country needs you!

25 December 2018

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When China ended its one-child policy three years ago, there was hope couples would have a second child to help slow the pace of an ageing society. But the move isn't working, reports London-based China analyst Yuwen Wu.

The declining birth rate is now one of the most talked-about topics across China - and there's a real sense of crisis.

After decades spent trying to curb the population, state propaganda slogans now exhort couples to "Have children for the country", prompting criticism on social media that government policy is intrusive and insensitive.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-asia-china-46558562>

A03- ethnicity and birth rate

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/stories-49607727/black-women-five-times-more-likely-to-die-in-childbirth>



Synoptic links- interleaving with Topic 1 and 3

What impact does low birth rates in the UK have on:

Childhood experiences

Child-centredness- less siblings (possible positive childhood, parents focused on less children)

Family structures

Less horizontal extended families/ more verticle (bean pole families)

Paper 1 consolidation

What impact does a low birth rate in the UK have on:

Education

Smaller class sizes

Economy

Less manpower- difficulty competing on global market (New Right)

Fertility

Fertility rate: the average number of children women will have during their fertile years

Tasks:

- Read p. 199TB - What has happened to women's fertility rate in the UK?
- Fill in p. 6WB

Challenge:

What's the link between fertility and birth rates?

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<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-46118103>

'Remarkable' decline in fertility rates

By James Gallagher
Health and science correspondent, BBC News

🕒 9 November 2018

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There has been a remarkable global decline in the number of children women are having, say researchers.

Their report found fertility rate falls meant nearly half of countries were now facing a "baby bust" - meaning there are insufficient children to maintain their population size.

The researchers said the findings were a "huge surprise".

And there would be profound consequences for societies with "more grandparents than grandchildren".

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Item 2A

Over the last one hundred years, there has been a general decline in the birth rate. One factor causing this is the decline in the fertility rate, partly due to women choosing to delay having children.

These changes have affected the position and status of children in society. Some sociologists suggest that these changes have led to an improvement in the position of children, while other sociologists are more cautious about any such improvement.

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Explain the difference between birth rate and total fertility rate (4 marks)

- Total fertility rate is the average number of children a woman gives birth to in their lifetime- during their fertile years
- Birth rate is the number of children born per thousand people each year

Plenary

Has what we have looked at changed your opinion about having children?

Homework

1. Consolidation cards-

- Birth rates
- Fertility rates

2. Flipped learning:

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/populationandmigration/internationalmigration/bulletins/migrationstatisticsquarterlyreport/may2016#net-migration-to-the-uk>

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