

**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:**

- The ways in which the media distorts the levels of crime.
- What news values are and how they impact media representations of crime.
- The ways in which the media could be said to cause crime and a cause of the fear of crime
- Outline and evaluate the moral panic cycle.

**KEY TERMS FOR THIS TOPIC**

- Mass Media
- News values
- Fallacies
- Simplification
- Personalisation
- Higher Status
- Novelty
- Risk
- Self Fulfilling Prophecy
- Social Construct
- Infotainment
- Immediacy
- Violence
- Missing White Woman Syndrome

**KEY THINKERS**

- Felson
- Madel
- Surettes
- Kidd-Hewitt & Osbourne
- Greer

**RESOURCES**

**ISB Globalisation and Crime – P2 - 14**



- Webb, Westergaard, Trobe and Townend: 123 - 128
- Browne: 515-523
- Collins: 85 - 92
- Hodder: 87 - 91



- [Hectic Teacher's A Level Site](#)
- [Revise sociology](#)
- [The Sociology Teacher](#)



- [Esher Sociology](#)
- [Media Representations – Stephen Joel](#)
- [Media Representations of Crime](#)

**TEMPLATES:**

All Templates are in PowerPoint or Word format for you to either print off or write in and save.

**ESQ**



- [10 Markers No item](#)
- [10 markers with item](#)
- **Essays –**
  - [Argument Essay](#)
  - [Relative Importance Essay](#)
- [Methods in Context](#)

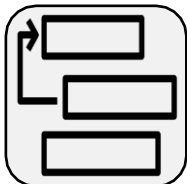
These are to be uploaded to the shared area.



### NOTE TAKING TASK

To ensure that your notes are complete and cover all the necessary content, you need to make sure that you are answering each of the questions below.

<b>Media Representations of Crime</b>	<b>Media as a cause of Crime</b>	<b>Moral Panics and media as a cause of the fear of crime.</b>
Outline the sociological perspectives view of the media as a social institution	What is the Hypodermic Syringe Model and how does link to criminal behaviour?	In what ways can the media be a cause of the fear of crime?
How does the media distort crime?	What is the Commodification of crime?	
	Outline the different ways that the media can led to criminal behaviour.	What is a moral panic, folk devil and the deviancy amplification spiral?
What are news values and how does this impact the media representation of crime.	How does relative deprivation link to the media as a cause of crime?	How does moral panic lead to a fear of crime?
What contemporary examples can you find to illustrate these theories?  Contemporary = last 20 years	What contemporary examples can you find to illustrate these theories?  Contemporary = last 20 years	What contemporary examples can you find to illustrate these theories?  Contemporary = last 20 years
	What are the arguments against the idea that the media is a cause of crime?	How does McRobbie and Thornton criticise the concept of moral panics?



### PRIORITISATION

Once you have taken your notes, colour code the question according to your level of confidence.

Don't get it	Need some help	Fairly confident	I got this!
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**CONSOLIDATION:****[Collins Page 91](#)**

Answer all the questions in full and complete sentences and at least three sentences for each answer.

**Item**

Sociologists have generally focused on the negative impacts of the media in relation to crime. Including the way that the media can generate moral panics and be a cause of fear in people. However, some sociologists have highlighted the positive impact that the media can have on crime, such as helping to solve crimes through TV shows like crime watch and providing catharsis for people.

**Applying material from the item and your own knowledge, evaluate the view that the media has a negative impact on crime in society. [30]**