A Day in the Life of a Stay-at-Home Dad
Families with children now seem to choose the primary caregiver based on the income of each parent rather than the gender. Rob (27) recently left his job as a chef to stay at home with Hannah (7), Byr...

A New Hominin
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
About 1.8 million years ago, a new species of Homo appears in East Africa, a species that will exist longer than any other hominin. This lesson focuses on that new species: Homo erectus, the first hom...

Aboriginal Culture: The Murray Darling
This programme covers the personal history of Aunty Beryl Carmichael, focusing particularly on her childhood, schooling and family life; an oral history of the Barkindji and Nygampaa people including ch...

Ann Oakley: Housewife
Series: Classic Collection
In this programme Ann Oakley talks about how she started her research on housework and the opposition she encountered. She goes on to discuss her sampling methods, her interview techniques, the import...

Anthony Giddens: Capitalism and Social Modern Theory
Series: Classic Collection
Sociology began as an attempt to make sense of the great transformation from traditional to modern society; the development of industrial production, the mass movement of people from the land to the...

Applied Anthropology
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
The video begins with the anthropological definition of applied anthropology; that this field of study refers to the application of method and theory to the analysis and solution of practical problems...

Baby Making: The New A.R.T. of Life
This video examines new technologies in reproduction and their social implications. Through personal stories told by young infertile couples, lesbian parents and mothers who use donor sperm or donor eg...

Becoming Parents: Adoption
Local adoptions are down, intercountry adoptions are on the rise. After IVF failed, Birthe and Guy adopted two Korean children through DOCS inter-country adoption programme. They strive to maintain cu...

Beyond the Nuclear Family
This programme looks at the changing roles, structure and functions of the family throughout time. What does it mean to belong to a 'family'? The programme represents a historical view of the family s...

Biology and Evolution
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
Humans are biological organisms that have a place in the natural world. To understand what it means to be human we need to understand how we became human. The video introduces the topic of biology by...
What motivates laddish behaviour? Are girls becoming more laddish? And if so, why? In this programme, Carolyn Jackson talks about the origins, methodologies, findings and the implications of her work...

The state of Oaxaca, Mexico, is the backdrop of this film, which explores the nature of culture and how cultures are studied. The Oaxacan society is used to illustrate the basic characteristics of cul...

This program focuses on the efforts of the Serrano tribe of Native American to revitalise their dying cultural traditions and language. The features and structures of human language in general are dis...

This programme examines modern day epidemics, using three case studies from the late 20th and early 21st centuries including SARS, HIV-AIDS, and influenza.

In the Aboriginal community of Mt Liebig, about 300 km west of Alice Springs, a group of young women talk about the importance of bush food in their culture and its relationship to good health. In con...

In this programme we examine culture, socialisation and identity - key concepts about the way we as individuals interact with society in general. With varied examples and clear explanations from exper...

In this programme we take a journey through time to show how ideas about crime have moved in and out of fashion, how some of the latest strategies of crime prevention go back to the 19th century and h...

Defining the family in today's society is not an easy task. This video does make the attempt! In the process we explore various types of families including nuclear, sole parent, blended, same-sex and...

See Sociological research in action, in four short films that bring research methods to life in educational contexts. This programme features four key studies: Introduction to Social Research, Survey...

Economic systems are the means by which a society produces, distributes and consumes resources, and are intimately integrated with the other elements of the culture. In this lesson the economic system...

To believers, the Moonies offer truth, enlightenment and the spiritual unification of the world. To critics its an evil form of bondage, where vulnerable young people are reduced to a mental conditio...
Homo Sapiens and the Upper Paleolithic
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
This lesson details the technological, artistic, and geographic expansion of the Cro-Magnons, the anatomically modern humans of Europe during the Upper Paleolithic era. The video details some of the m...

How Far Have We Come?
In 2003 a group of Year 9 students from a predominantly white, middle class school travel by bus to remote Aboriginal settlements in central Australia. Nearly 40 years ago a group of white and black A...

How I Learn: Ages and Stages of Child Development
Meet preschool children of all ages as they experience the social, emotional, physical and intellectual milestones of typical early childhood development. Packed full of information, this little docum...

In Detention: Locking Up Asylum Seekers
This programme looks at the recent turmoil for Australian asylum seekers.

Indigenous Health in Australia
This programme aims to provide an overview of Aboriginal health and provides some reasons why significant differences exist within Australia in terms of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal health.

Indigenous Organisations Today
Several case studies looking at Aboriginal organisations in the areas of politics, health, law and education. How do their history and culture affect the way they operate? What problems do they experi...

Introducing Sociology
This programme answers the question, "What is Sociology?". Leading sociologists like Anthony Giddens explain and illustrate what it means to adopt a sociological approach and students talk about stu...

Introducing Sociology: Core Concepts
This engaging video resource explores the core sociological concepts such of sociological problems, the sociological imagination, social construction, culture, socialisation, and identity. Not only wi...

Jock Young: The Drugtakers
The Drugtakers is one of the clearest and most dramatic examples of deviance amplification. In this programme Jock Young discusses what is meant by a sociological approach to drug use, the importanc...

Juggling Roles: Work and Children
Natalie (26) works as an accountant 4 days a week. Her husband Rob works as a chef on two days. They have 3 children: Hannah (7), Byron (5) and Joshua (1). The programme focuses on how Natalie juggles...

Kinship and Descent
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
The video opens with pictures of Chinese immigrants of the 1850s to the 1900s and explains that the immigrants of that time faced enormous challenges when they moved from their country to the United S...

Labelling Theory
Series: Social Theory and Crime
The film examines primary and secondary deviance, considers a contemporary example inspired by labelling (restorative justice) and is a primer for understanding Interactionist approaches to crime. The...
Macroevolution
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
Who is related to whom? How do species evolve? What has happened in geological time? This video focuses on macroevolution and the processes that explain it. It begins on location at a paleontological...

Making Sense of Sociological Theory
Series: Understanding Sociology
Why is there so much theory in sociology? Why are there different theories? Can sociological theory be made a little clearer? This programme addresses these questions and explains the role of theory....

Marriage and Family
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
The video begins with Helen Mendoza and Pam Privett explaining that families can take many forms today. They are partners in a same-sex marriage, raising children of their own. The episode "Sex and Ma...

Methods of Paleoanthropology
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
Experts at the cutting edge of paleoanthropological research show how it's done. In this video, students are introduced to the ways researchers gather data in order to answer the basic human question:....

Michelle Stanworth: Gender and Schooling
Series: Classic Collection
In the 1970s the majority of secondary school students were being educated in co-educational schools, with girls and boys getting much the same education. But were they? Michelle Stanworth set out to...

Modern Indigenous Culture
So many of us want to understand Aboriginal culture better – to know it is to understand that Aboriginal people in contemporary times still have important links to the Dreaming. However, what is reall...

Our National Identity
Australia has evolved from a nation of true Britons into an inclusive multicultural society made up of people from many different origins. This Australian-made, primary curriculum fit programme explor...

Out of Sight, Out of Mind
This programme examines the current state of Indigenous psychological and physical health in Australia. Some relevant reports are cited and their findings are discussed.

Parenting
Series: Families Series
This programme explores the variations and similarities of parenting roles between different types of families that exist within Australia.

Part 1: Moral Panics
Series: Sociology Short Cuts: Crime and Deviance
A short film examining the concepts of moral panic and deviancy amplification through both a classic and contemporary lens. Stan Cohen talks about the origins and implications of his concept in the co...

Part 2: Functions of Crime
Series: Sociology Short Cuts: Crime and Deviance
The notion that something with "negative" connotations, such as crime, can have "positive" consequences for both individuals and societies may be counter-intuitive, but it is an important aspect of Du...
Part 3: Crimes of the Powerful
Series: Sociology Short Cuts: Crime and Deviance
2014 E 00:08:06
This programme illustrates how crimes committed by powerful social actors differ in terms of both their type - the distinction between white-collar, corporate, and state crime for example - and extent...

Part 4: Gender and Crime
Series: Sociology Short Cuts: Crime and Deviance
2014 E 00:08:08
One of the most consistent features of modern industrialised societies is the gendering of crime and criminality. Not only is most crime committed by men, there are also marked differences in the resp...

Part 5: Policing the Night
Series: Sociology Short Cuts: Crime and Deviance
2014 E 00:05:47
The concept of social control is an important one in the sociology of crime and deviance. This video, featuring contributions from Phil Hadfield and Simon Winlow, co-authors of "Bouncers", looks at ho...

Part 6: Hate Crime
Series: Sociology Short Cuts: Crime and Deviance
2014 E 00:05:34
Hate crime is being brought into increasingly-sharp relief with the widespread emergence of new social media. In this introductory video Neil Chakraborti, a leading researcher in this area, takes you...

Part 7: Situational Crime Prevention
Series: Sociology Short Cuts: Crime and Deviance
2014 E 00:06:21
In this video, sociologist Kate Painter explains how some forms of crime can be effectively managed through the control of physical space. The video uses Painter and Farrinfton's seminal Stoke-on-Tren...

Patterns of Adaptation
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
2008 E 00:27:50
How do humans adapt to environmental challenges? In this video, experts explore this question from many angles. The difference between acclimatisation and adaptation is explained. Nina Jablonski expla...

Patterns of Variation
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
2008 PG 00:27:50
Warning: Contains images of deceased people. The video begins with comments on some instances of ethnic genocide that have occurred in the past in the Sudan, Rwanda, Bosnia, and Nazi Germany during Wo...

Paul Willis: Learning to Labour
Series: Classic Collection
1999 E 00:20:44
In this programme Willis talks about how his interest in culture and counter culture led him into exploring working class culture and its reproduction from the inside. He discusses his ethnographic re...

Peter Townsend: Poverty in the UK
Series: Classic Collection
2003 E 00:22:10
It was widely believed that poverty in Britain had been all but eliminated with the construction of the welfare state and post-war affluence. But while politicians were telling people they had never h...

Politics, Power and Violence
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
2008 PG 00:27:50
This video explores the anthropological concepts of political organisation and social control as practised cross-culturally. It opens with anthropologists Victoria Bernal and Laura Nader discussing th...

Premodern Humans
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
2008 E 00:27:50
Around 780,000 years ago a new species of Homo appears, perhaps descended from the hominins that lived in Spain and Italy between 900,000 and 800,000 years ago. This time period, called the Middle Ple...
Primate Behaviour
This lesson tackles why we study the behaviour of nonhuman primates and how their behaviour patterns can be related to human behaviour and evolution. Experts discuss their field study experiences and...

Processes of Change
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
At the beginning of the episode "Communication and Culture", anthropologist Leo Chavez comments that culture is always transforming itself, always changing. It is always in the process of becoming so...

Religion and Spirituality
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
The programme opens with a general discussion of the anthropological definition of religion contrasted with spirituality. This is followed by a close up view of some of the history, beliefs, and pract...

Research Methods Made Accessible: Researching Health
Health and life chances aren't distributed equally. On average, people from poorer backgrounds have significantly higher rates of illness than people from professional classes. So what might be causin...

Resourcing Families
Series: Families Series
This programme introduces to students the concept of resources and what resources families in Australia have available to them, from various levels of governments.

Sex and Marriage
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
The programme opens with a wedding in Long Bow Village, in China, and effectively shows the diverse nature of weddings from one culture to another emphasising that weddings are rites of passage, full...

Social Identity, Personality and Gender
Series: Anthropology: The Four Fields
One of the universal questions that people ask is 'Who am I?' The answer is complex and begins with enculturation. Enculturation influences how you think, feel, and behave and it starts at birth. It b...

Some More Equal Than Others: Inequality in Australia
Is Australia really an egalitarian society? Do our tax and welfare systems still operate to keep the income gap between rich and poor from increasing too much? How is wealth distributed? What is the s...

Space, Place, and Windows
Series: Social Theory and Crime
This short film introduces environmental criminology—the idea that social spaces are more than just a simple background to our behaviour. It covers Zimbardo's 'Anonymity of Place' experiment, broken w...

Stanley Cohen: Folk Devils and Moral Panics
Series: Classic Collection
A wet bank holiday weekend in Clacton UK: some fights broke out on the beach, huts were damaged and somebody fired a starting pistol. Hardly a riot, but that was how the media reported it. Reading th...

Strain Theory
Series: Social Theory and Crime
This clip explores both the historical and contemporary relevance of strain theory to our understanding of the relationship between crime and consumption. The film covers Merton's strain theory, Venka...
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Urban Aboriginal Lives

"An Aboriginal is any person of Aboriginal descent who identifies as an Aboriginal and is accepted as such by the community in which he or she lives". In this unique programme, Aborigines speak frankl...

Variations in Health Status

This programme examines the significant impact of income, region, occupation, race and gender on health, the ways in which this manifests and the implications for health.

Veiled Ambition

Frida is a young Lebanese woman with a thick Aussie accent and a dream of creating her own fashion empire. When she wins $4000 in a radio competition, Frida opens a shop in Sydney Road Coburg, hoping...

Women in Development

Produced with assistance from AusAID. Ideal for Secondary Geography and Society and Culture courses, this video analyses the impact of gender roles on the lives of women in Vietnam, Micronesia, and th...

Women's Rights: Raising the Glass Ceiling

Series: Global Issues Series

The term 'women's rights' refers to the freedoms and entitlements of women across the globe. On many levels, women today can do anything men can do. From politics to law, business to government, there...