



Sociology

Further Reading

Module 4

Topic 1

The Kids Are Alright

Shows you the changes we are witnessing in traditional family structure.

Henslin, J., Possamai, A. and Possamai-Inesedy, A., 2010, 'Sociology: A Down to Earth Approach', Sydney: Pearson (Chapter 2 and 3)

Stones, R. (ed.), 2007, 'Key Sociological Thinkers', UK, Palgrave Macmillan'

Turner, B and Anthony, E., 2012, 'On Society', Cambridge, Polity Press

Topic 2

Naomi Klein: Addicted to Risk

Naomi speaks about societal recklessness but she is highlighting the forms of risk that we are exposed to.

Lupton, D., 1999, 'Risk', London, Routledge

Beck, U., 2012, 'Twenty Observations on a World in Turmoil', Cambridge, Polity

Giddens, A., 1990, 'Consequences of Modernity', Cambridge, Polity

Topic 3

Interview with Ulrich Beck, Guardian newspaper

Lupton, D., 1999, 'Risk', London, Routledge

Bauman, Z., 2000, 'Liquid Modernity', Cambridge, Polity

Douglas, M., 2012, 'Risk and Blame: Essays in Cultural Theory', London, Routledge

Topic 4

Too Big to Fail

This film presents manufactured risk but also explores the issue of trust in abstract systems that are needed for ontological security. I recommend watching the entire film but this is still a good link.

Giddens, A., 1990, 'Consequences of Modernity', Cambridge, Polity Press

Giddens, A., 1992, 'Modernity and Self Identity', Cambridge, Polity Press

Beck, U. and Beck-Gernsheim, E., 'Individualization', London, Sage

Topic 5

Ulrich, B., 1992, 'Risk Society: Towards a New Modernity', New Delhi, Sage

Giddens, A., 1999, 'Risk and Responsibility', Modern Law Review 62(1):1-10

Giddens, A., 1999, 'Runaway World: How Globalization is Reshaping Our Lives', London, Profile





Topic 6

Overview by Oliver Roy on the rise of 'neo-fundamentalism'

Beck, U., 2010, 'A God of One's Own: Religion Capacities for Peace and Potential for Violence', Cambridge, Polity Press

Possamai-Inesedy, A., 2002, 'Beck's Risk Society and Giddens' Search for Ontological Security: A Comparative Analysis between the Anthroposophical Society and the Assemblies of God', Australian Religion Studies Review 15.1: 44-56

Speck, S., 2013, 'Reflecting Faith: Individualization, Religion and the Desecularization of Reflexive Modernity, Sociology', Vol 47 (1)

The Way and Walking the Camino de Santiago

Both films demonstrate the connections between the risk and religion. Although, The Way depicts the story between a father and son, it also demonstrates the search for meaning through religion in contemporary society. The second clip is more of a travel clip that speaks about the Camino de Santiago.

Topic 7

Made in India

Surrogacy that is outsourced to India. This deals with a number of issues that relate to risk, health and social inequality.

Petersen, A., Lupton, D., 1996, 'The New Public Health: Health and Self in the Age of Risk', Sage

Possamai-Inesedy, A., 2006, 'Confining Risk: Choice and Responsibility in Childbirth in a Risk Society', Health Sociology Review 15.4: 406-414

Risk and Social Theory - A New Venture and Some New Avenues

Topic 8

Warming oceans may make parts of the world 'uninsurable'

Bauman, Z., 2006, 'Liquid Fear', Cambridge, Polity

Beck, U., 2007, 'World at Risk', Cambridge, Polity

Topic 9

Beck, U., 2002, 'The Cosmopolitan Society and its Enemies', Theory, Culture and Society, 19. 1-2:17-44

Beck, U., 2002, 'Individualization: Institutionalized Individualism and its Social and Political Consequences', Vol 13, Sage

Atkinson, W., 2007, 'Beck, Individualization and the Death of Class: A Critique', The British Journal of Sociology, 58.3: 349-366

Topic 10

Bauman, Z., 2013, 'Liquid Love: On the Frailty of Human Bonds', Polity

Giddens, A., 1992, 'The Transformations of Intimacy', Cambridge, Polity

Jamieson, L., 1999, 'Intimacy Transformed: A Critical Look at the Pure Relationship', Sociology 33.3: 477-494