

# Sociology: reading list



This is not an exhaustive list, and I would not expect you to read everything on here! However, these texts will provide you with some really excellent extra-curricular reading, before beginning the course. They are also very interesting and engaging.

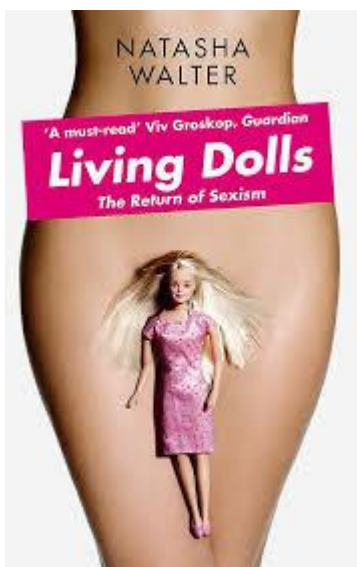
I would also recommend that you really observe society closely in the coming weeks and months. This situation is a really rich source of evidence of how different societies work, as well as how different groups within society respond to the circumstances that they find themselves in.

Following articles in The Times, The Independent, The Guardian, The Telegraph or the i-newspaper would be very useful to your study of Sociology. Keep a journal references to really interesting articles that you find and make notes on how you feel that society is responding to the crisis. For example, there is a very optimistic view that this pandemic is bringing out a community spirit and kindness in society. However, it could be argued that the pandemic is impacting different groups in different ways. Look at Emily Maitlis' appraisal on Newsnight of how groups in society are impacted.... <https://edition.cnn.com/2020/04/09/media/emily-maitlis-bbc-coronavirus-scli-intl-gbr/index.html> Follow the media!

Some recommended reading:

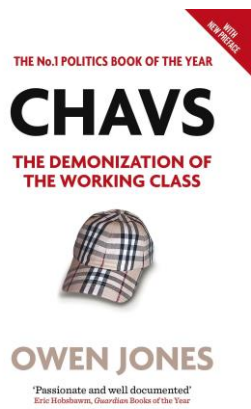
## *Living Dolls*

Natasha Walter



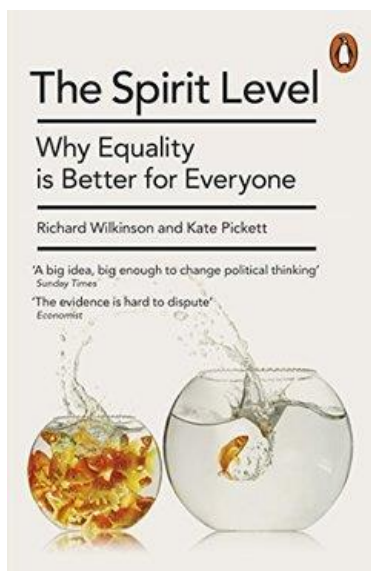
## *Chavs*

Owen Jones



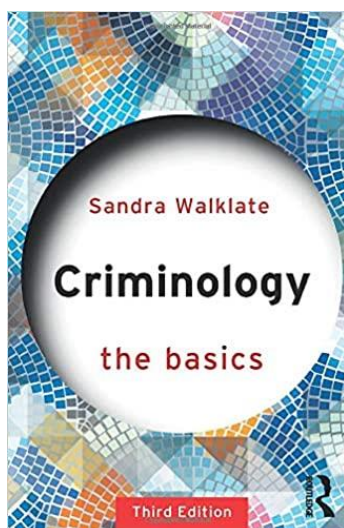
## *The Spirit Level*

Wilkinson & Pickett



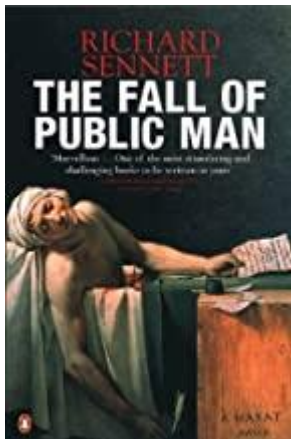
## *Criminology: The Basics*

Sandra Walklate



## *The Fall of Public Man*

Richard Sennett



## *Female Chauvinist Pigs*

Ariel Levy



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