

'We're Nike people' - Sixth Form sociologists try some undergraduate level reading



For a Christmas challenge all our sociologists were given an undergraduate level research project to read to enrich their A Level studies. The article is called 'University's not for me - I'm a Nike person'. It is written by Louise Archer and looks at the conflict between working-class style choices and the education system and the impact this may have on self-image and choices related to higher education. The pupils had to read for gist, select useful quotes and come to the lesson with questions for discussion. This was a very challenging task designed to start getting them ready for university level work in the future.

The work they produced was outstanding and I was so impressed by the discussions they were able to have. They are to be congratulated in their approach to this task. They have now started to look at how they might mention this literature in their A Level essays. Some were also inspired to engage in some shopping after discussing the role of Nike brands in this article!

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