

## Sixth Form sociologists try some undergraduate level reading



For a Christmas challenge, all our Lower6 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 from the University of London 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. They worked well on this either alone, in groups or by using AI reading tools to simplify the text for them. The discussions we had following this were very interesting, considering style choices and identity in all teenagers with much insight about what our trainers say about us. They are to be congratulated in their approach to this task. They have all written their own summaries and are now starting to look at how they might try to mention this literature in their A Level essays.

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