

Specification Area(s):	Youth Culture and Youth Subculture
You will need:	Kirby et al (“Sociology in Perspective”) p. 225 -228
Total Marks:	50

1. Identify and explain, using examples, the key differences between **youth culture** and **youth subcultures** (6 marks)

2. **Defining** the concept of **youth** is not as straightforward as you might think. Use the following table to identify possible **biological**, **psychological** and **sociological** aspects of youth (6)

Aspect of Youth	Examples
Biological	Is youth related to a particular age group?
Psychological	Associated with particular emotional problems?
Sociological	Associated with transition from childhood to adulthood?

6. In what ways do youth subcultures represent a challenge or opposition to mainstream cultural values and norms (6)

7. Identify and explain how the media can act to neutralise any threat to mainstream cultural values and norms presented by youth subcultures (4)

8. Using the example of rave culture, how did social control agencies respond to this phenomenon? (4)

9. Some sociologists have argued that spectacular youth subcultures are a product of modern society. How are the following aspects of post-modern society likely to contribute to a decline in the significance of such youth subcultures (6)

Globalisation	
Choice	
Parody and Pastiche	
The “end of history”	
Cultural incorporation	