

Session Plan: How does the insurance industry adapt to meet the needs of society?

Logistics of the session

Title of session	How does the insurance industry adapt to meet the needs of society?
Session objective	To understand how the insurance industry adapts to meet the needs of society.
Success criteria	 Identify the need for insurance in a developed society. Describe how the insurance industry meets the needs of people today. Explain ways the insurance industry could adapt for the future.
Resources	 PowerPoint: Sociology – Adaptation of Insurance Industry PDF: Sociology – Adaptation of Insurance Industry (Print 1 copy per student) Additional: Whiteboards and pens

Plan of activities

Activity	Description of activity	Time
Starter Keyword Crossword	Students are given the descriptions of 4 keywords and the start of a crossword. They need to work out what the 4 missing words in the crossword are. Go through the answers with the class: 1. Individualisation; 2. Globalisation; 3. Digitisation; 4. Neoliberalism.	
Success criteria #1 Purpose of insurance	 For this activity, students can either provide their best estimate in their books or by writing on whiteboards. There will be three questions in this 'Best estimate' activity. In pairs, students will need to discuss and make notes about three different questions. You will then go through each of the three questions through the next 3 PPT slides. 	15 mins
Success criteria #2 Meeting the needs of people today	 Preparation: Hand out the case study to each of the students. You can choose if they work on this task in pairs or individually. Students will be asked to read through the car insurance case study to answer the following question: How has the car insurance industry adapted over the last 100 years to meet the needs of customers today? They are given three questions to help them develop a comprehensive answer to the question. Their answers should be about 2-4 paragraphs long. 	15 mins
Success criteria #3 Adapting for the future	 The first activity for this section will be to complete a 'fill in the gaps' task about the social data revolution. 90% of the world's recorded data was produced in the past two years. In an increasingly autonomous world, the amount of data being recorded is growing exponentially. The social data revolution is the shift in human communication patterns towards increased personal information sharing and its related implications. Students will be given 3 predictions for the future of the insurance industry. Although the examples provided are directed at car insurance, they can choose to look at any form of insurance. They can choose which prediction they would like to focus on to create a poster which outlines how the change would impact a customer and the benefits of that change. 	25 mins
Plenary Scenarios	For the plenary activity, students are provided with 3 scenarios which could arise in the future regarding self-driving cars. They will need to discuss who they believe is responsible in each scenario (the owner, the insurer or the manufacturer) and justify their answers.	5 mins