

Chapter One Guide: The Sociological Point of View - 2008

Section One: Examining Social Life

Section One Objectives

1. Describe what sociology is and explain what it means to have a sociological imagination.
2. Explain how sociology is similar to and different from other social sciences.

Read to Discover

1. What is sociology and what does it mean to have a sociological imagination?
2. How is sociology similar and different from other social sciences?

Define

1. Sociology –
2. Social Interaction –
3. Social Phenomena –
4. Sociological Perspective –
5. Sociological Imagination –
6. Social Sciences –
7. Anthropology –
8. Psychology –
9. Social Psychology –
10. Economics –
11. Political Science –
12. History –

Section Two: Sociology: Then and Now

Section Two Objectives

1. Describe how the field of sociology developed
2. Explain how the three main theoretical perspectives in sociology differ in their focus.

Read to Discover

1. How did the field of sociology develop?
2. In what ways do the three main theoretical perspectives in sociology differ in focus

Define

1. Social Darwinism –
2. Function –
3. Verstehen –
4. Ideal Type –
5. Theory –
6. Perspective –
7. Theoretical Perspective –
8. Functionalist Perspective –
9. Dysfunctional –
10. Manifest Function –
11. Latent Function –
12. Conflict Perspective –
13. Interactionist Perspective –

14. Symbol –

15. Symbolic Interaction –

Identify

1. Auguste Comte –

2. Herbert Spencer –

3. Karl Marx –

4. Emile Durkheim –

5. Max Weber –

6. Harriet Martineau –

7. Jane Addams –

8. C. Wright Mills –

9. Charles Darwin –