



SIR ARTHUR LEWIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACADEMIC YEAR (2024/2025) - SEMESTER ONE END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE : SOC101
COURSE TITLE : Introduction to Sociology (Alternate)
LECTURER(S) : Hugh Maitre
DATE : 17th January 2025
TIME : 9:00 a.m.
DURATION : 2 hours
STUDENT ID # : _____

GENERAL INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

- Students must sign **IN** and **OUT** on the examination class list.
- Write your ID number on the question paper.
- Circle the correct answer on the question paper.

INSTRUCTIONS

The paper is divided into four (4) sections:

Sections 1 - Multiple Choice Questions (Answer all questions in this section)	24 Marks
Section 2 – True and False (Answer all questions in this section)	20 Marks
Section 3 – Short Answers Marks (Answer one question in this section)	25
Section 4 – Essay Questions (Answer one question in this section)	25 marks

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SECTION 1 MULTIPLE CHOICE

INSTRUCTIONS: On the answer sheet provided circle the letter A, B, C or D that carries the best response. Each correct answer is worth 1 (one) mark

1. Which of the following statements about socialization is incorrect?
 - A. It produces social order
 - B. Makes people bearers of culture
 - C. Institutionalizes beliefs.
 - D. Makes people think of rules.
2. That aspect of society which integrates members, and contributes to order and stability, is referred to as:
 - A. social reality
 - B. Functional prerequisite
 - C. culture
 - D. roles
3. Which of the following is associated with Functionalist sociology?
 - A. Political ideology
 - B. Value Consensus
 - C. False Consciousness
 - D. Conflict
4. Which of the following approaches uses the quantitative method as a form of research?
 - A. Interpretivists approach
 - B. Conflict theoretical approaches
 - C. Positivists approach.
 - D. empirical approaches
5. The bourgeoisie, as defined by Karl Marx is:
 - A. the worker in a factory
 - B. civil servants
 - C. the owners of the means of production
 - D. the manager of a pharmaceutical outlet
6. A society which properly socializes its members about its specific values, roles, and norms, will most likely enjoy:
 - A. Social stability
 - B. contradictions
 - C. independence
 - D. Political instability
7. Which of the following sociologist contends that conflict is a persistent feature of society?
 - A. Karl Marx
 - B. Auguste Comte
 - C. Max Weber
 - D. Emile Durkheim
8. Which of the listed options is regarded as a primary agent of Socialization?
 - A. The peer group
 - B. The education system
 - C. The church
 - D. The family

9. In his theory of positivism, Comte claims that his positivist's approach must consider one of the following.
- A. Social class
 - B. Scientific investigation
 - C. Reason and rational thought
 - D. Advances in technology
10. All the following movements had an influence on the development of sociology as a discipline, EXCEPT:
- A. The Glorious Revolution of 1688
 - B. The French Revolution of 1789
 - C. The Enlightenment
 - D. The Industrial Revolution
11. Which one of the following theories is ascribed to Karl Marx?
- A. Marxist feminist
 - B. Conflict theory
 - C. Symbolic Interactionism
 - D. Functionalism
12. Sociology is:
- A. an awareness of the relationships between an individual and a wider society
 - B. the scientific study of human behaviour
 - C. concerned with what an individual does or does not do.
 - D. exclusively concerned with individual self esteem
13. Which sociologist was the first to emphasize the importance of the scientific method as proper to sociological research?
- A. Max Weber.
 - B. Talcott Parsons
 - C. Emile Durkheim
 - D. Auguste Comte
14. Which sociological theory asserts, that meanings are not fixed, as they depend on the context of the situation?
- A. Positivist theorists
 - B. Interpretivist theorists
 - C. conflict theorists
 - D. postmodernists
15. Functionalists conclude that inequalities in power are legitimate and necessary to help:
- A. individuals buy scarce resources
 - B. societies achieve order and stability
 - C. persons develop class consciousness.
 - D. persons acquire high social status.
16. Marxian theory claims that for society to survive individuals must:
- A. become involved in religious doctrine
 - B. hire out their labour
 - C. achieve group solidarity.
 - D. engage in economic enterprises.

17. Symbolic Interactionists claim that society cannot be studied in the same way as the natural world because:
- A. human behaviour is meaningful and varies between individuals and cultures.
 - B. statistical data do not provide insight into human behaviour.
 - C. it does not account for the Actor's view of social reality.
 - D. all the reasons stated in A, B and C
18. Which sociological perspective holds that, if an aspect of social life does not contribute to a society's well-being or survival it will not pass on from one generation to the next?
- A. Conflict perspective
 - C. Interactionists perspective
 - B. Micro sociology
 - D. Functionalist perspective
19. Within positivist research methods, a _____ is a set of statements that seeks to explain problems, causes, and effects relating to behaviour.
- A. theory
 - C. hypothesis
 - B. correlation
 - D. definition
20. Which sociological perspective assumes that social behaviour is understood in terms of tension between competing groups?
- A. Marxian perspective
 - C. Macro sociology
 - B. Interactionists perspective
 - D. Functionalist perspective
21. Which theoretical perspective maintains that stability requires a consensus and the support of society's members?
- A. Conflict theory
 - D. Interactionists theory
 - B. Functionalist theory
 - C. Postmodernist ideas
22. Like functionalist theory, conflict theory:
- A. recognizes society as comprising of social structures.
 - B. recognizes the power of the individual over that of the society.
 - C. advances the view that social behaviours are based on consensus.
 - D. That workers suffer from false consciousness.
23. Which of the following appropriates the wealth produced by the labour power of workers, according to Karl Marx?
- A. Taxes
 - C. Welfare organizations
 - B. The bourgeoisie
 - D. The infrastructure

24. One of the following sociological perspectives assumes that social order is achieved when people engage each other in various social activities:
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| A. Marxist theory | C. Macro sociology |
| B. Interactionists perspective | D. Functionalist perspective |

SECTION 2 TRUE OR FALSE OPTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS: Write T for the items that are True and F for those answers that are False on the line next to each item.Each correct answer is worth 2 (two) marks.

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| 1. Functionalist theorists. claim that social order, and stability is achieved when individuals learn the culture of their societies. | ----- |
| 2. Thought and feelings are not observable and can be misleading, claims Auguste Comte. | ----- |
| 3. Positivist theorists use the scientific method to enquire into human behaviour | ----- |
| 4. Functionalist theories are otherwise known as micro theories. | - ----- |
| 5. The Nature of Sociology focuses on the characteristics of the discipline. | ----- |
| 6. C wright Mills is known for concept the sociological imagination | ----- |
| 7. Norms and Values guide and regulate human behaviour. | ----- |
| 8. Interactionist theorists focus on thought and symbols | ----- |
| 9. Sociology is an independent science. | ----- |
| 10. The French Revolution was a consideration in the origins of sociology. | ----- |

SECTION 3 SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS Answer one (1) question from this section. . Each correct answer is worth 25 (twenty-five) marks . Each question is worth 25 (twenty-five) marks

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| 1. (a) Define the term 'social facts?' | [6] |
| (b) Describe with at least two examples, how an individual assumes a ‘master status?' | [8] |
| (c) Symbolic Interactionists contend, ‘People keep order within society By defining the actions of others.’ Explain this process. | [11] |
| 2. (a) Define the term ‘The Sociological Imagination.’ | [6] |
| (b) Describe with at least two examples, how an individual contributes to social order And stability within society according to interactionist. | [8] |

- (c) Symbolic Interactionists contend ‘People keep order within society By defining the actions of other.’ Explain this process. [11]

SECTION 4 ESSAY QUESTIONS

INSTRUCTION

Choose **one** (1) essay topic from this section, and in not less than 350 words write an essay. Remember the need for good English. Each essay is worth 25 (twenty-five) marks

1. “Conflict’ is the only expectation of people who enter social relationships.”
Discuss the factors that results in conflict according to Marxian views of society. {25}
2. Evaluate the claim that Socialization is the only medium through which individuals learn the cultural values of their society and keep social order. [25]
3. The scientific approach used by Positivist Sociologists always produces objective results.” Discuss this view. [25]

END OF EXAMINATION

