

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER DECEMBER 2011

TITLE OF PAPER: INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY

COURSE CODE: SOC 101

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS

ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS

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- Q1. Explain the view that structural-functional approach is more focused on understanding society as it is, while the social conflict approach is more focused on social change.
- Q2. Outline the ten steps in the process of carrying out social investigation. What specific questions must be answered as a researcher moves along?
- Q3. Summarise the Davis-Moore theories and explain the functional consequences of inequality for society as a whole.
- Q4. What are the specific contributions to human development made by family, school, peer group and mass media?
- Q5. Explain the operation of Internet societies such as Facebook.com as a way to create social networks. What do people who use Facebook gain? What might they lose?
- Q6. Discuss how poverty combines with gender to disadvantage women.
- Q7. Describe the differences that distinguish high income nations, middle-income nations and low-income nations.
- Q8. Explain the justifications for punishment. What evidence is there that punishment actually accomplishes what we say it does?