



Practice Questions BSOC-131(Introduction to Sociology)

1. Define sociology. Discuss its nature, scope, and significance in understanding human society.
2. Examine the relationship between sociology and other social sciences such as economics, political science, and anthropology.
3. Critically analyze Emile Durkheim's theory of social facts with suitable examples.
4. Discuss Karl Marx's concept of class struggle and its relevance in understanding modern capitalist society.
5. Explain Max Weber's theory of social action. How does it differ from the views of Durkheim and Marx?
6. What is culture? Discuss the elements and characteristics of culture with examples.
7. Define socialization. Explain its stages and the role of various agencies in the socialization process.
8. Discuss the concept of social institutions. Describe the major social institutions and their functions.
9. Explain the concepts of status and role. How do they contribute to social structure?

10. Describe the various forms of social stratification. Discuss caste and class systems in detail.
11. What is social control? Discuss its types and significance in maintaining social order.
12. Examine the concept of social change. What are the major factors influencing social change in society?
13. Differentiate between Gemeinschaft and Gesellschaft as used by Ferdinand Tönnies.
14. What is a group? Differentiate between primary and secondary groups with examples.
15. Discuss the concept of norms and values. How do they influence human behavior?
16. Explain the functionalist perspective in sociology with reference to Emile Durkheim or Talcott Parsons.
17. Describe the conflict perspective in sociology. How does it interpret inequality in society?
18. What is ethnocentrism? How does cultural relativism help in understanding different cultures objectively?
19. Analyze the importance of studying sociology in the contemporary Indian context.
20. Discuss the methods used in sociological research. Highlight the advantages and limitations of qualitative and quantitative approaches.