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Instructions:

- SECTION A - Multiple Choice and Full in the Blank
Answer **all** questions in this section
- SECTION B - True or False
Answer **all** questions in this section
- SECTION C - Short Answer Questions
Compulsory Question

- Students are advised to use a pen to write this examination.
- Write your ID Number on each answer sheet
- All cell phones must be turned off during the examination.
- **Note:** Bags, books as well as writing paper not given by the invigilator should be deposited at the front of the examination room or as otherwise indicated.
- Students must sign **IN** and **OUT** on the examination class list.

SECTION 1

Multiple Choice Questions

Answer all questions in this Section (30 Marks)

- 1) Traditional societies are characterized by this type of activity
 - a) Information technology
 - b) Agricultural production
 - c) Industrial production
 - d) Large scale agro-processing activity

- 2) Positivism is attributed to Comte; the concept of rationality and modern bureaucracy is associated with
 - a) Emile Durkheim
 - b) Karl Marx
 - c) Max Weber
 - d) Robert Merton

- 3) One of this is not associated with bureaucratic organizations
 - a) Efficiency
 - b) Nepotism
 - c) Hierarchy of positions
 - d) Technical competence

- 4) A method of social investigation which allows researchers to investigate people as they go about their everyday life in a “natural setting”
 - a) Sampling a population
 - b) Participant observation
 - c) Social participation
 - d) Using focus groups for research

- 5) The term post industrial society most applies to
 - a) Bourgeoisie Society
 - b) Societies relying heavily on microprocessors
 - c) Societies with low unemployment rates
 - d) A Consumer Society

- 6) The primary factor accounting for the changing character of from traditional to modern according to Max Weber is
 - a) Norms and Values
 - b) Cultural diffusion
 - c) Rational modes of thinking
 - d) Technological exchange

- 7) Structural-Functionalist Theory argues that
 - a) A study of society must focus on the institutions
 - b) Society is actively constructed
 - c) Meanings are very important in understanding relationships.
 - d) All of the above

- 8) Social Action Theory argues that
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- 9) St Lucian culture holds a strong belief in
 - a) Traditions of the past
 - b) Achieved values
 - c) Equality of condition for all
 - d) All of the above are correct

- 10) One of the following statements is false
- The survey method is generally used to conduct research on social issues
 - Correlation is not the same as cause
 - The independent variable is the cause in cause and effect relationships
 - The dependent variable is the effect in cause and effect relationships
 - None of the above
 - All of the above
- 11) In the research method, the use of focus group discussion is part of
- Participant observation
 - Survey research
 - Anthropological research
 - Economic research.
- 12) Research which tries to find possible links between genetics and crime is classified as
- Theories related to nurture
 - Behavioral theories
 - Biological theories
 - Social interaction theory
- 13) How would you describe the stratification system which obtains in present day St. Lucian Society?
- Ethnocentrism
 - Stratification based on ascribed characteristics
 - Stratification based on achieved characteristics
 - Stratification based on ascribes and achieved characteristics
- 14) Technological competence, specialization, awareness of time, rationality, characterize
- Charismatic movements
 - Primary groups in society
 - Traditional societies
 - Modern Bureaucracies
- 15) Industrialization leads to a ruling bourgeoisie class whilst an agrarian economy produces
- An aristocracy
 - A capitalist class
 - Communist equality
 - A proletarian class
- 16) Which of these is the least sophisticated technologically?
- Post industrial societies
 - Traditional societies
 - Hunting and Gathering societies
 - Agrarian societies
 - Industrial societies
- 17) The “Compa” music originating from Haiti and now so popular with the youth in the Caribbean region is an example of the wider Caribbean societies’
- Material culture
 - Counter culture
 - Non material culture
 - Low Culture
- 18) A theory of socialization which places emphasis on personality is associated with
- George Herbert mead
 - Sigmund Freud
 - Jean Piaget
 - Lawrence Kohlberg

- 19) A theory of socialization which places emphasis on the social self is associated with
- George Herbert Mead
 - Sigmund Freud
 - Jean Piaget
 - Lawrence Kohlberg
- 20) An anthropologist studying courtship behavior of the Amerindian communities in the hinterland of Guyana will use the research method
- Experimentation
 - Interviews using Focus groups
 - Participant observation
 - Deductive research
- 21) The concept of the looking glass self is associated with the theories of
- George Herbert Mead
 - Sigmund Freud
 - Jean Piaget
 - Carol Gilligan
- 22) Karl Marx considered the following to be the “foundation” of society
- Technology
 - The economy
 - Dominant ideas
 - Rational thinking
- 23) Horticultural societies are those in which
- People hunt animals and gather vegetation
 - People are nomadic
 - People use hand tools to raise crops
 - People have learned the art of warfare
- 24) According to your text, the carriers or elements of culture are:
- Family, government and religion
 - Technology, environment and population
 - Biological, social and cultural evolution
 - Language, values and norms
- 25) The belief that the social world can be studied with the same scientific accuracy and assurance as the natural world is known:
- Effect and cause
 - Economic determinism
 - Positivism
 - Transcendentalism
- 26) Conflict theories primarily want to know how social structure
- Gives some people unequal access to scarce resources
 - Contribute to the maintenance of society
 - Evolve and become patterned regularities of society
 - Contribute to individual needs through competition
- 27) The term ----- is applied to a situation whereby one part of a culture changes more rapidly than another
- time lag
 - cultural lag
 - xenophobia
 - culture shock
- 28) The psychological theory known as cognitive development has its roots in the work of
- George Simmel
 - George Herbert Mead
 - John Piaget
 - Sigmund Freud

- 29) Most sociologists take the view that
- a) humans have instincts that direct behavior
 - b) biological instincts develop in humans at puberty
 - c) it is human to nurture
 - d) genes direct human social behavior
- 30) Bureaucracy is a type of social organization characterized by:
- a) specialized jobs
 - b) offices arranged in a hierarchy
 - c) lots of rules and regulations
 - d) All of the above are correct

FILL-IN (10 Marks)

- 31) Industrial societies provide more personal freedom, improved life and brought the worlds people closer into a global village. However advances in technology have contributed to major problems for society. Identify 2 problems associated with technological advances and industrialization. (2Marks)
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- 33) Student attentiveness in class at the SALCC has been very poor in recent times. The great sociologist called Agyemang has attributed this phenomenon to the increasing use of mobile telecommunications devices known as Smart phones in the society by all class of people in the society. Most of these students cannot afford these phones and put unnecessary financial burdens on their hard working parents. From the above observation identify the dependent and independent variables
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- 35) A sociologist studying drug use and production by Rastafarians in rural Jamaica would most likely use what method of social investigation
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- 36) Name any two basic institutions which are common to all societies
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- 37) The concept of Alienation is associated with Max Weber. Another sociologist uses the alienation but in reference to how economic inequalities and production process alienate the workers. Name this theorist
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- 38) A theory which combines Gender Roles with moral reasoning is associated with the theory of socialization by
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39) Name a sociological theory or perspective which falls under MACRO-SOCIOLOGY

40) Mary became a prostitute because it was one of the few occupations that would allow her to escape poverty. Mary's use of sex as a scarce resource is explained by which sociological perspective

SECTION B

TRUE OR FALSE Section (10 marks)

41) Latent functions are those consequences of a social structure that are recognized and intended. True/False

42) In Mead's theory, the "I" is the spontaneous creative self. True/False

43) A Nurse is an example of achieved society. True/False

44) Aristocracies, serfs and peasants are associated with Modern industrialized society. True/False

45) A contractor looking to put up a block of apartments within a specific time period will use rational action. True/False

46) A position that one can attain in one's lifetime is called an ascribed status. True/False

47) Caste systems rely on achieved status whilst Class systems rely on ascribed status. True/False

48) In modern industrial society Marx used the term proletariat to refer to the working class. True/False

49) Hunting gathering societies have strong kinship ties. True/False

50) Laws are always norms. True/False

51). For Gerhard Lehnki, a quick guide to classify a society as tradition or modern would depend on its levels of environmental pollution. True/False

52). Lawrence Kohlberg premised his theory of socialization on personality development True/False

53). Subculture refers to cultural patterns that set apart a segment of a society's population.
True/False

54). Interpretive sociology is a research orientation that focuses on the meaning people attach to behavior. True/False

55) Structural sociology can be also described as Macro-Sociology. True/False

Section 3 Essay Section

Compulsory Question – All Students are required to answer the following question in a short paragraph opinion piece (5 Marks)

1. What insights did you gain from taking this introductory course in sociology this semester

END OF EXAMINATION