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Read Ch. 1 and answer the following questions (p. 4-6).

1. Define sociological perspective.
2. What do sociologists look at when they are examining social location?
3. What do you think the expectations are for females growing up? How does society influence how females are treated?
4. What do you think the expectations are for males growing up? How does society influence how males are treated?
5. List and explain the 3 goals of science (pg. 8).
6. Read and take the sociological survey on p. 9. Compare your answers to the ones on page 10 when you are done. You can cheat, but then you will miss the point:) Explain your reaction the difference between “common sense” and what research says.
7. Read pages 9-15. Summarize the beliefs of the following scientists. Be sure to include their important vocabulary terms, ideas, thoughts and theories…

Auguste Comte is known as the …

He …

(what is positivism)?

Herbert Spencer

Karl Marx

Emile Durkheim

Max Weber

1. Why is it important for a scientist to be values free and objective (pg 14)?
2. Why is Verstehen and/or “subjective meaning” important (pg 15)?
3. Explain how social fact and Verstehem fit together (pg 15) .
4. What were the four reasons that women did not participate much in early sociology (pg 17)?
5. How was Harriet Martineau able to participate (pg 17)?

What happened to her work?

1. The text explains 8 symbolic interactions that could explain the high divorce rate. Explain 4 of them in your own words and the choose the one that you think **best** explains the high divorce rate and explain why (20-23).

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1. The text explains how a functionalist might interpret the high divorce rate. Explain 3 of these in your own words and then choose the one that makes the most sense to you and explain why (23-26).
2. Explain the conflict theorists reasons for the high divorce rate. Do you agree with this? Explain why (26-27).
3. What is the difference between the macro level of analysis and the micro level of analysis? Which theories use which levels (pg 27)?

Macro:

Used by…

Micro level…

Used by….

1. There has been a shift in society to an increase in unwed mothers (see chart p. 25). We see it in the media with Jamie Lynn Spears and Gov. Palin’s daughter. Why do you think society accepts it better now? What do you think has led to the shift in thought?
2. What are the differences between pure, applied and clinical sociology? What can each offer that the others cannot (pg 28-29 and chart)?