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Class: XI

SOCIOLOGY (039)

Date: 12-02-2026

Time: 3 Hrs

Maximum Marks: 80

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. The question paper is divided into four sections.
2. There are 35 questions in all. All questions are compulsory.
3. Section A includes question No. 1-16. These are MCQ type questions. As per the question, there can be one answer.
4. Section B includes question No. 17-25. These are very short answer type questions carrying 2 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 30 words.
5. Section C includes question No. 26-32. They are short answer type questions carrying 4 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 80 words.
6. Section D includes question No. 33-35. They are long answer type questions carrying 6 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 200 words each.

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	SECTION-A	
1	<p>Two statements are given as Assertion (A) and Reason(R). Study the statements carefully and identify the correct alternative:</p> <p>Assertion (A): Sociology studies norms and values in the same way philosophical and religious thinkers do.</p> <p>Reason (R): Sociology focuses on norms and values as goals that people should pursue in order to build a good society.</p> <p>A. Both Assertion(A) and Reason(R) are true and Reason(A) is the correct explanation of Assertion(A)</p> <p>B. Both Assertion(A) and Reason(R) are true, but Reason(A) is not the correct explanation of Assertion(A)</p> <p>C. Assertion(A) is true, but Reason(R) is false</p> <p>D. Assertion(A) is false, but reason(R) is true</p>	1
2	<p>Darwin's ideas about organic evolution influenced early sociological thought mainly by</p> <p>A. Encouraging the study of religion and morality</p> <p>B. Comparing society to living organisms</p> <p>C. Rejecting the idea of social institutions</p> <p>D. Focusing only on individual behaviour</p>	1
3	<p>Which among the following statement is correct regarding Reference Groups?</p>	1

	<p>Statement 1: Reference groups are groups to which individuals do not necessarily belong but which influence their attitudes, values, lifestyle, and aspirations.</p> <p>Statement 2: Membership groups and reference groups are always the same, and individuals must be active members of a group for it to influence them.</p> <p>A. Statement 1 is correct B. Statement 1 and 2 are correct C. Statement 1 is wrong and statement 2 is correct D. Both statements are wrong</p>	
4	<p>Two statements are given as Assertion (A) and Reason(R). Study the statements carefully and identify the correct alternative:</p> <p>Assertion (A): Prestige refers to the value attached to a social position or status rather than to the personal qualities or actions of the individual occupying it.</p> <p>Reason (R): The prestige of an occupation depends only on the income earned by the individual holding that position.</p> <p>A. Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A. B. Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A. C. A is true but R is false. D. A is false but R is true.</p>	1
5	<p>Polygamy refers to a form of marriage in which:</p> <p>A. One man marries one woman B. One person marries more than one mate at the same time C. Marriage is prohibited D. Marriage is only for economic reasons</p>	1
6	<p>Which of the following statements is correct regarding a stateless society?</p> <p>A. Stateless societies-maintained order only through a modern governmental system. B. Social anthropologists showed that order in stateless societies was maintained through balanced opposition and cross-cutting alliances. C. Stateless societies lacked any form of social order. D. Rites and ceremonies were absent in stateless societies.</p>	1
7	<p>Which among the following statements is correct regarding functionalist sociologists?</p> <p>A. They view education as a source of social conflict and inequality. B. They emphasize general social needs and social norms in explaining society. C. They believe education has no role in maintaining social structure. D. They reject the idea of culture being transmitted through education.</p>	1
8	<p>According to Max Weber, Calvinism influenced the growth of capitalism mainly because:</p> <p>A. It rejected economic activity as sinful B. It promoted leisure over work C. It viewed work done for God's glory as a form of worship D. It opposed organised economic systems</p>	1
9	<p>Ethnocentrism refers to the practice of:</p> <p>A. Understanding other cultures on their own terms B. Applying one's own cultural values to judge other cultures</p>	1

	C. Treating all cultures as equal D. Rejecting one's own cultural values	
10	Two statements are given as Assertion (A) and Reason(R). Study the statements carefully and identify the correct alternative: Assertion (A): The French Revolution brought about major cultural change in French society. Reason (R): It destroyed the estate system, abolished the monarchy, and promoted the values of liberty, equality, and fraternity. Options: A. Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A. B. Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A. C. A is true, but R is false. D. A is false, but R is true.	1
11	According to Darwin's theory of evolution, which life forms survive in the long run? A. All life forms survive equally B. Life forms that are strongest physically C. Life forms that change rapidly without adaptation D. Life forms that are best adapted to their environment	1
12	Which of the following best explains why Mahatma Gandhi broke the salt law at Dandi? A. He wanted to gain personal fame B. He believed breaking the law was morally justified C. He was unaware that it was a law D. He opposed all forms of law	1
13	Who among the following is the author of the book 'Suicide'? A. Karl Marx B. Max Weber C. Emile Durkheim D. Devid Pristo	1
14	Which among the following incident legitimate the Declaration of Human Rights? A. The French revolution B. The Russian Revolution C. Industrial revolution D. Enlightenment movement	1
15	Who among the following is considered as the founder of Institutionalised Sociology in India? A. L.K Anathakrishna Iyer. B. Sarat Chandra Roy C. G.S Ghurye D. M.N Srinivas	1
16	Statement I: Traditions are strongly rooted in the past but are capable of change through adaptation. Statement II: The link of tradition with the past completely prevents any form of social change. Options: A. Both Statement I and Statement II are true	1

	B. Both Statement I and Statement II are false C. Statement I is true, but Statement II is false D. Statement I is false, but Statement II is true	
SECTION-B		
17	The Industrial Revolution was based upon a new, dynamic form of economic activity -capitalism. This system of capitalism became the driving force behind the growth of industrial manufacturing. State two changes brought by the industrial revolution.	2
18	Sociology and Economics are interdisciplinary subjects- support the statement with two valuable points.	2
19	Distinguish between Microsociology and Macrosociology	2
20	What is social control? What are the two types of social control?	2
21	Describe any two Citizenship rights enjoyed by the Citizens.	2
22	Analyse the features of Endogamy and Exogamy.	2
23	Why is the Enlightenment important for the development of sociology?	2
24	Why do classes come into conflict, according to Marx?	2
25	Write four basic features of bureaucracy? OR What are social facts? How do we recognize them?	2
SECTION-C		
26	Why is the study of the origin and growth of sociology important?	4
27	Explain four characteristics of a social group.	4
28	The sociological study of religion is different from a religious or theological study of religion in many ways. Examine the statement with four valuable arguments OR Education is a life-long process, involving both formal and informal institutions of learning. Explain the role of education as a social institution.	4
29	What is culture? Explain three dimensions of culture.	1+3=4
30	Nature, ecology and the physical environment have always had a significant influence on the structure and shape of society. Estimate with examples, how environmental changes cause for social changes.	4
31	Differentiate between 'mechanical' and 'organic' solidarity.	4
32	What is the significance of village studies in the history of Indian sociology?	4
SECTION-D		
33	The child is socialised by several agencies and institutions in which she/he participates. Examine the role of the agencies of socialization.	6
34	Explain the features of social order and social change in rural areas. OR What is meant by social order and how is it maintained?	6
35	G.S Ghurye offered a comprehensive definition of caste. His definition emphasizes six features of caste. Examine the features of caste.	6