

Social Change and Practice Questions Future Trends

1. Which of the following is NOT an example when sociologists think of technology as a factor that drives social change?

- a. Genetically modified organisms
- b. Wireless brain sensors
- c. Total fertility rate

2. People in developed countries enjoy the internet in fast speed and uninterrupted connection, while those in developing countries experience instability in its internet connection. What concept does this issue reflect?

- a. Modernization
- b. Digital divide
- c. Environmental sustainability

3. Which of the following best explains environmental racism?

- a. Minority groups have less access to eco-friendly alternatives
- b. Members of the minority are more exposed to hazardous and dangerous sources of environmental pollution
- c. Minorities experience higher rates of chemical poisoning
- 4. Which of the following statements is NOT true about unilinear evolutionary theory?
 - a. Societies move from simple to complex structures.
 - b. This theory is based on Charles Darwin's work on biological evolution.
 - c. Societies, although going through similar stages, have different directions.
- 5. Statements below identify the main difference between conflict and functionalist theory, except
 - a. Functionalists state that society is naturally balanced while conflict theory views society as a product of power relations where the poor are subjected to exploitation and inequality.
 - b. For functionalists, social change is a threat whereas conflict theory believes it to be desirable.
 - c. Conflict theory is after societal balance by adjusting other aspects of society; functionalism pursues emancipation through revolutionary movements.



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