

**MA SOCIOLOGY  
FOURTH SEMESTER  
CONTEMPORARY SOCIOLOGICAL THEORIES  
MSO-401**

(Use separate answer scripts for Objective & Descriptive)

**Duration : 3 hrs.**

**Full Marks : 70**

**( PART-A : Objective )**

**Time : 20 min.**

**Marks : 20**

***Choose the correct answer from the following:***

***1x20=20***

1. Which one of the following is not classical perspective?
  - a. Functionalism
  - b. Marxism
  - c. Conflict
  - d. Interactionism
2. Which perspective has focused on social system and structure?
  - a. Symbolic interactionism
  - b. Phenomenology
  - c. Ethnomethodology
  - d. Marxism
3. Neo-functionalism is:
  - a. A new theory
  - b. An extension of functionalism
  - c. An idea
  - d. All the above
4. Which of the following is one of the principles of neo-Marxism?
  - a. Revolution of proletariat
  - b. Socialism
  - c. Political hegemony
  - d. All the above
5. Who gave the concepts of distorted and undistorted communication?
  - a. J Habermas
  - b. Anthony Giddens
  - c. Gramsci
  - d. Karl Marx
6. Who is considered as economic determinist?
  - a. J Habermas
  - b. Karl Marx
  - c. Gramsci
  - d. Althusser
7. The problem in Marx's work is the "reduction of the self-generative act of human species to labor". Who criticized Marx by saying this?
  - a. Gramsci
  - b. J Habermas
  - c. L Althusser
  - d. None of the above
8. The concepts of instrumental action and strategic action were given by:
  - a. Action theory of Weber
  - b. Gramsci
  - c. J Habermas
  - d. Althusser
9. Social integration is just a possibility not the description of any society. Which perspective stand for this principle?
  - a. Neo-Marxism
  - b. Marxism
  - c. Action perspective
  - d. Neo-functionalism
10. Who developed the linguistic structuralism in Sociology?
  - a. Derrida
  - b. Emile Durkheim
  - c. Talcott Parsons
  - d. Ferdinand de Saussure

11. Langue means:  
 a. Formal part of language  
 c. Grammatical part of language
12. Claude Levi-Strauss is associated with  
 a. Anthropological Structuralism  
 c. Structuralism
13. What was the main objective of Derrida?  
 a. To oppose logocentrism  
 c. Construction of meaning
14. Who gave the methodology-genealogy of knowledge and archaeology of knowledge?  
 a. Derrida  
 c. Ferdinand de Saussure
15. Gramsci's hegemony emphasizes on:  
 a. Economic hegemony  
 c. Geographical hegemony
16. Who gave the idea of integration of the structure and agency?  
 a. Anthony Giddens  
 c. Derrida
17. Which one of the following is not the dimension of modernity according to Anthony Giddens?  
 a. Capitalism  
 c. Industrialism
18. Social capital of a person depends on:  
 a. Size of the network.  
 b. Extent of social capital possessed by network members.  
 c. Nature.  
 d. Both a and b.
19. Who has written the book 'The Post Modern Condition'?  
 a. Derrida  
 c. Lyotard
20. Who considered Marxian perspective as the mirror image of conservative political economy?  
 a. Lyotard  
 c. Derrida

- b. Speech of actor  
 d. Both a and c
- b. Linguistic structuralism  
 d. None of the above
- b. To popularize logocentrism  
 d. Making center
- b. Michael Foucault  
 d. None of the above
- b. Political hegemony  
 d. All the above
- b. J Habermas  
 d. None of the above
- b. Expansion of western culture  
 d. Control of the means of war
- b. Michael Foucault  
 d. None of the above
- b. Jean Baudrillard  
 d. Anthony Giddens

( **PART-B : Descriptive** )

Time : 2 hrs. 40 min.

Marks : 50

[ Answer question no.1 & any four (4) from the rest ]

1. Compare and contrast the classical and modern theoretical perspectives in Sociology. 10
2. Discuss the background of the development of contemporary sociological theories. 10
3. How Habermas criticized Marxism? Discuss Habermas's theory of communicative action. 3+7=10
4. How neo-functionalism is different from functionalism? Explain in brief the Alexander's ideas, regarded as neo-functionalism, for understanding contemporary society. 3+7=10
5. What is linguistic structuralism? Write the difference between post-structuralism and multiculturalism. 3+7=10
6. Critically analyze the Will Kymlicka's theory of Multi-cultural citizenship. 10
7. Discuss the theory of Zygmunt Bauman's theory of Liquid Modernity. 10
8. How modernity is criticized by post-modern thinkers to present a society without prejudice? 10

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