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Q1(d)

Critically analyse Talcott Parsons conception of pattern variable'

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2017 · Sociology GS 1 · 10 marks · Sociological Thinkers: Karl Marx

Sociological Thinkers: Karl Marx - Historical materialism, mode of production, alienation, class struggle; Emile Durkheim - Division of labour, social fact, suicide, religion and society; Max Weber - Social action, ideal types, authority, bureaucracy, protestant ethic and the spirit of capitalism; Talcott Parsons - Social system, pattern variables; Robert K. Merton - Latent and manifest functions, conformity and deviance, reference groups; Mead - Self and identity.

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Five pairs

Affectivity/neutrality, self/collectivity, universalism/particularism, achievement/ascription, specificity/diffuseness.

The Social System

Parsons' 1951 statement of roles, pattern variables, and AGIL.

Weber

The historical contrast that Parsons tried to make into a systematic role grammar.

Oakley

Makes unpaid care visible; a limit of treating the occupational role as gender-neutral.

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