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Q3(a)

Discuss distinct sociological method adopted by Emile Durkheim in his study of 'suicide'

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2017 · Sociology GS 1 · 20 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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Suicide (1897)

Durkheim's demonstration that rates vary with group structure.

Egoistic suicide

Linked to weak integration, illustrated with religious and family contrasts.

Anomic suicide

Linked to weak regulation in economic or marital disruption.

Social facts

External, constraining ways of acting; the rate is such a fact.

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