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Q2(c)

What is social mobility? Critically examine the classification of 'closed' and 'open' models of social stratification

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2024 · Sociology GS 1 · 10 marks · Stratification and Mobility: Concepts

Stratification and Mobility: Concepts - equality, inequality, hierarchy, exclusion, poverty and deprivation; Theories of social stratification - Structural functionalist, Marxist, Weberian; Dimensions - Class, status groups, gender, ethnicity and race; Social mobility - open and closed systems, types, sources and causes.

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Inter-generational mobility

Comparison of a child's adult position with the parent's position.

Sanskritisation as group mobility

A collective status strategy inside a system often labelled closed.

Bourdieu on cultural capital

Inherited tastes and credentials that make an apparently open contest uneven.

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