

Review Quiz

Ch. 8

True or False

1. F. The belief that behavioral differences between boys and girls are the result of biological characteristics lacks scientific proof.
2. F. Women are considered a minority group because they have physical and cultural traits different from those of the dominant group in society.
3. F. In most schools, boys and girls receive differential treatment.
4. T.
5. F. Because the percentage of older people in the U.S. is increasing, ageism is becoming more common.

Multiple Choice

6. a
7. c
8. a
9. d
10. c

Short Answer

11. Traditional female tasks such as child care, housekeeping, etc., are not valued by society and, therefore, are typically low paying.
12. Answers will vary. Many of these children, even when their mothers work full time, live in poverty or near poverty. This means that they are more likely to live in substandard housing and go to less desirable schools. In addition, it shows the children that society does not value the work of women as highly as that of men.

Review Quiz

Ch. 9

True or False

1. T
2. F. At each level of education, African American males earn less than white males.
3. T
4. F. There is no scientific evidence that connects any racial characteristic with innate superiority or inferiority.
5. T

Multiple Choice

6. d
7. c
8. b
9. a
10. d

Short Answer

11. In the class voting example, the term *minority* simply means the smaller group. When sociologists use this term, they are referring to a group that has distinctive physical and/or cultural characteristics and is dominated by another group.
12. Answers will vary. Many people believe that hate crimes should be punished more harshly than other crimes.
13. In the "melting pot" pattern, the minority group blends into the dominant group and loses its individual identity; whereas in the "tossed salad" pattern, it retains at least some of its cultural traditions.

Review Quiz

Ch. 10

Matching

1. c
2. b
3. a
4. a
5. d
6. f
7. e

Multiple Choice

8. b
9. d
10. a

Short Answer

11. Answers will vary. Being born into a family where people are unemployed is a strong factor. Having a physical disability or a mental illness or being a single mother increases the likelihood of being part of the underclass. Nonwhites, such as blacks and Latinos, are more likely than whites to be part of this group.
12. Answers will vary. To a large extent, a person's response might depend on his or her position in the caste system, although Americans tend to think caste systems are fundamentally unfair. Having no hope for improving your lot in life can be very discouraging. On the other hand, people do not have the same pressures to work hard and succeed as Americans do.
13. The feminization of poverty refers to the fact that the portion of female-led households that are below the poverty level has increased since 1960.