

PAPER- SOCI 1301- F14

Due Thurs. Oct. 30, beginning of class

NOTE- Tues. Oct. 28- no class- work on paper

This paper should be 4-5 pages double-spaced, Times New Roman 12 font, not including the title page and bibliography.

There are a few purposes to this paper:

- to show your sociological imagination
- to familiarize yourself with more detail about some cultures and social issues
- to work with the available databases through the library, either online or in the library
- to be able to integrate theories and concepts (such as from the textbook), studies (databases), and daily applications (such as problems that you identify, or any related media stories, or any personal stories that fit...)
- to have the opportunity to further develop research and writing skills

Culture: Summary and Sociological Discussion of an issue from one of the chapters we have covered by the time it's due as viewed in any three different cultures or subcultures.
Narrow down the topic to be specific. Be creative. Make it fun. Pick a topic that you really are curious about. There are so many possible topics, as we will have covered culture and socialization in general, as well as deviance, stratification, and race and ethnicity.

Examples of topics:

- homicides in Hungary, United States and China
- education for the poor in Haiti, Russia and Sweden
- pornography laws in Saudi Arabia, Germany and Brazil
- poverty in Ethiopia, Norway and Chile
- illegal immigration to Malta, Cayman Island and United States
- health care for the poor in Mexico, Canada and United States
- segregation in Hungary, South Africa and Australia
- gun ownership and use in Texas in the inner city, suburbs and rural areas
- family comedy TV shows in 1960, 1985 and 2010
- discrimination in Argentina, New Zealand and Holland
- human trafficking in North America, Europe and Africa
- child labor in Liberia, Pakistan and Guatemala
- legal ages for drinking alcohol, serving in the military, driving, and marriage in Liberia, Puerto Rico and Australia

Note- This is a summary and discussion. It is not enough to only have a descriptive summary. You need to include a sociology discussion. This means that 1) you need to include not only encyclopedic type information but also an academic discussion using the academic journal articles and course concepts, and 2) you need to include a compare and contrast.

You need to include your sources. This means that you need to give proper credit within the paper as well as in a bibliography. The style that you use is up to you. If you are not sure how to do this, go to The Write Place <http://www.lonestar.edu/write-place-resources>, or the Library <http://www.lonestar.edu/library/citation-help.htm>, for help.

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