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# Sociology: The Essentials, 8th Edition



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SOCIOLOGY: THE ESSENTIALS, Eighth Edition, uses the theme of debunking myths to look behind the facades of everyday life, encourage you to question common assumptions, and help you better understand how society is constructed and sustained. This thorough yet streamlined text provides exceptional coverage of diversity, including social factors such as age, religion, sexual orientation, and region of residence, in addition to race, ethnicity, class, and gender. Updated with coverage of the latest findings, trends, and themes, this new edition's reader-friendly presentation teaches you the concepts, methods, and research that will sharpen your "sociological imagination" and help you view the world from a different perspective.

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Love the kindle version of this book. Easily find items you need for flashcards or excepts to go

over/ask questions about in class. The highlight and note functionality is amazing, versatile, and easy to use. I loved that the notes and other customizations I made to the book to help me study transferred perfectly from my Android tablet, to my iPhone, and to my Windows 8.1 PC. It made studying and keeping up with my work super easy no matter where I was.

Not bad!

I needed the book for my Sociology 200 class. The book arrived within two days and is in great condition. My only complaint is with the book itself. The chapters are overly long and at times it seems repetitive. I dislike that the textbook has sources cited throughout. I don't understand why this was needed as it is used as a teaching tool.

Exactly as described.

Will help you pass the CLEP Sociology Exam but I'd use REA guides or something else. I didn't score as well as I could have. Has way to much filler content that gets in the way of actual learning

The condition of the book was okay. There was some highlighting done inside the book and I believe there's a page or two that's missing. I was still able to use the book throughout the semester for my class so it's all good! Thank you!

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Excellent!!

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