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Lesson 1: An Introduction of Sociology
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1. "Sociology is the scientific study of social relations, institutions and society". Justify this statement using your own thoughts.
2. Do you agree with the statement of Max Weber that 'Actions constitute the subject matter of Sociology'? Support your answer with proper arguments.
3. Describe how Sociology is an empirical subject of study?
4. What it means when sociologist H.M Johnson stated Sociology is cumulative. Explain?
5. Which theoretical perspective stresses on the need for neutrality and objectivity in research? Describe its contribution in Sociology.
6. Write your views about society if you are strongly supporting the functionalist perspective of Sociology.
7. How would you describe society from the conflict perspective?
8. Compare and contrast different perspectives in Sociology.
9. How does the viewpoint of Max Weber differ from Emile Durkheim with regard to social organisation?
10. How might sociological knowledge be useful in everyday life?

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