Chapter 1 How Sociologists View Social Problems: The Abortion Dilemma

**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

1. Who developed the concept of the sociological imagination?
   1. Emile Durkheim
   2. Max Weber
   3. Karl Marx
   4. C. Wright Mills

**Answer:** D

**Learning Objective:** 1.1

**Page Ref**: 2

**Topic/A-head:** The Sociological Imagination

**Skill Level:** Remember the Facts

1. The sociological imagination is also called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
   1. reinforcement theory
   2. scientific sociology
   3. historical and biographical analysis
   4. the sociological perspective

**Answer:** D

**Learning Objective:** 1.1

**Page Ref**: 3

**Topic/A-head:** The Sociological Imagination

**Skill Level:** Remember the Facts

1. When researchers focus on how the relationships we share with family, friends, and co-workers shape our lives, they are examining a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. broad social context
3. narrow social context
4. intimate social context
5. close social context

**Answer:** C

**Learning Objective:** 1.1

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**Topic/A-head:** The Sociological Imagination

**Skill Level:** Apply What You Know

1. When Michael considers how his race, age, marital status, and income compare to that of other Americans, he is considering his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. personal troubles
3. common sense
4. social problems
5. social location

**Answer:** D

**Learning Objective:** 1.1

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**Topic/A-head:** The Sociological Imagination

**Skill Level:** Apply What You Know

1. Professor Fuentes encourages her students to consider how laws, education, religion, and the media influence how people think, feel, and act. As such, Professor Fuentes wants her students to use \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. the sociological imagination
3. reinforcement theory
4. common sense
5. historical and biographical analysis

**Answer:** A

**Learning Objective:** 1.1

**Page Ref**: 2

**Topic/A-head:** The Sociological Imagination

**Skill Level:** Analyze It

1. When did the U.S. Supreme Court legalize abortion?
   1. 1963
   2. 1969
   3. 1973
   4. 1979

**Answer:** C

**Learning Objective:** 1.3

**Page Ref**: 5

**Topic/A-head:** What Is a Social Problem?

**Skill Level:** Remember the Facts

1. What is the ability to get one’s way despite resistance called?
   1. Values
   2. Social problem
   3. Power
   4. Subjective concern

**Answer:** C

**Learning Objective:** 1.3

**Page Ref**: 7

**Topic/A-head:** What Is a Social Problem?

**Skill Level:** Remember the Facts

1. A shared belief about whether something is good or bad is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
   1. value
   2. document
   3. social problem
   4. personal trouble

**Answer:** A

**Learning Objective:** 1.3

**Page Ref**: 7

**Topic/A-head:** What Is a Social Problem?

**Skill Level:** Remember the Facts

1. What are the aspects of society that can be measured or experienced?
   1. Objective conditions
   2. Social problems
   3. Personal problems
   4. Subjective concerns

**Answer:** A

**Learning Objective:** 1.3

**Page Ref**: 7

**Topic/A-head:** What Is a Social Problem?

**Skill Level:** Understand the Concepts

1. Which of the following Supreme Court rulings legalized abortion in the United States?

* 1. *Webster v. Reproductive Services*
  2. *Roe v. Wade*
  3. *Casey v. Planned Parenthood*
  4. *Brown v. the Board of Education*

**Answer:** B

**Learning Objective:** 1.3

**Page Ref**: 5

**Topic/A-head:** What Is a Social Problem?

**Skill Level:** Understand the Concepts

1. The teenagers who participate in a weekly bible-study class believe that abortion is bad. Their shared belief is an example of a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
   1. value
   2. social problem
   3. personal trouble
   4. experiment

**Answer:** A

**Learning Objective:** 1.3

**Page Ref**: 7

**Topic/A-head:** What Is a Social Problem?

**Skill Level:** Understand the Concepts

1. A significant number of people worry about the conditions of public schools in urban areas. Such unease illustrates the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ associated with a social problem.
   1. subjective concerns
   2. objective conditions
   3. moral decay
   4. value neutrality

**Answer:** A

**Learning Objective:** 1.3

**Page Ref**: 5

**Topic/A-head:** What Is a Social Problem?

**Skill Level:** Apply What You Know

1. Whether or not marijuana is legal, who obtains it and under what circumstances it is obtained are examples of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ associated with a social problem.
   1. objective conditions
   2. subjective concerns
   3. social solutions
   4. moral dilemmas

**Answer:** A

**Learning Objective:** 1.3

**Page Ref**: 5

**Topic/A-head:** What Is a Social Problem?

**Skill Level:** Analyze It

1. When Rhonda arrived at the abortion clinic, she was surprised to find dozens of protestors blocking her way. Rhonda pushed her way through the crowd and was able to see a physician at the clinic. Rhonda was able to get what she wanted, despite resistance. This is an example of Rhonda’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
   1. values
   2. power
   3. sociological imagination
   4. subjective concern

**Answer:** B

**Learning Objective:** 1.3

**Page Ref**: 7

**Topic/A-head:** What Is a Social Problem?

**Skill Level:** Analyze It

1. How many stages are there in the natural history of social problems?
   1. Two
   2. Three
   3. Four
   4. Five

**Answer:** C

**Learning Objective:** 1.4

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**Topic/A-head:** The Natural History of Social Problems: Four Stages

**Skill Level:** Remember the Facts

1. Crafting an official response occurs during which stage in the natural history of social problems?