

Gender and Society (HIS8.201)

Quiz 1

Max Marks: 10

Time: 45 minutes

Please answer 1 in about 150 words.

Please answer any two of questions 2, 3 or 4 in approximately 100 words each.

Please take time to plan your answers. Do **not** use bullet points. Write in full sentences and paragraphs.

Answer the following question in about 150 words.

- ✓ 1. Simone de Beauvoir uses Levi Strauss to develop the idea of *Mitsein* and counters it with Hegel's understanding a fundamental hostility built into a group. Explain the use of these two concepts with regard to men and women in "The Second Sex."
(2x2)

Answer any **two** of the following questions in approx. 100 words.

- ✓ 2. What, according to de Beauvoir, are the primary reasons that women have not risen against oppression in ways that the racially and economically oppressed have?
(3)
3. Differentiate between "gender" and "sex."
(3)
- ✓ 4. What does de Beauvoir mean when she suggests that a young girl is alienated from her body at the onset of puberty? What course does this alienation take in the life of a woman?
(3)