

NPTEL Course: Sociology of Science
Week -1, Assignment -1

1. Which term explains the interplay between biography and history?
 - a. Political Imagination
 - b. Social Structure
 - c. Social System
 - d. Sociological Imagination**
2. Who discussed the positioning of sociology and other humanities and social sciences disciplines in technology institutes in India?
 - a. Ravinder Kaur**
 - b. Anthony Giddens
 - c. Robert Merton
 - d. Thomas Kuhn
3. Who argued that social structures are reconstructed at every movement by the very building block that composes it?
 - a. R. K. Merton
 - b. Anthony Giddens**
 - c. Karl Popper
 - d. Ravinder Kaur
4. Which committee focused on integrating humanities, science, and engineering in the engineering colleges in India?
 - a. Standing Committee, 1946
 - b. Lewis Committee, 1947**
 - c. Kothari Committee, 1956
 - d. Bhore Committee, 1946
5. Which committee focused that MIT should emphasize four general areas of education (Engineering science, Science, Architecture and Planning, and HSS) should be organized as separate schools?
 - a. Lewis Committee on Educational Survey, 1947**
 - b. Sarkar Committee, 1946
 - c. Committee on Education
 - d. Society Committee on Education

6. The shift in philosophical approach from error & superstition to positive knowledge resulted in which period?
- a. late 19th Century**
 - b. mid-17th Century
 - c. late 20th Century
 - d. early 21st Century
7. Which thought reflects Roger's work on the role of life sciences in the 18th century?
- a. German
 - b. French**
 - c. British
 - d. American
8. Who has given the concepts of intended and unintended consequences?
- a. Anthony Giddens**
 - b. George Ritzer
 - c. Thomas Kuhn
 - d. Robert Merton
9. Which of the following is not a reason for the marginalization of humanities and social sciences in institutes of technology in India?
- a. Hierarchical ranking of disciplines
 - b. Small faculty size
 - c. Non-inclusion of HSS disciplines in research and development activity
 - d. Philosophical orientation of HSS disciplines**
10. What of the following tells a lot about the origin of modern science and the nature of the history of science?
- a. Impact of French Revolution on Science**
 - b. Medical Science of Ancient India
 - c. Development of Railways
 - d. Increase in scientific schools

Answer Key: 1-d. 2-a. 3-b. 4-b. 5-a. 6-a. 7-b. 8-b. 9-d. 10-a