

Flipped learning for Lesson 7

L006 to L007 • Why might society need families? • 10–15 minutes • v1.0

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Read the three passages, then answer. Use fictional examples; no external research or personal disclosure is required.

Institutions and society

Sociologists can ask what recurring institutions contribute to social life. Families, schools and economic organisations may perform overlapping activities.

Functions as an explanation

A function is a contribution to a wider social system. Functionalists ask how institutions may help maintain order. A claimed contribution must still be examined, rather than assumed.

Questions for evaluation

Ask who benefits, whether an activity is performed everywhere and whether another institution could perform it. Use fictional examples; no judgement about your own family is required.

F1

What is an institution, and what could it contribute to social life?

F2

What question might a functionalist ask about families?

F3

Give one question that would test a claimed function. Retrieve two L006 terms tomorrow and next week.
