

Sociology=the scientific study of social structure

 Social Structure=patterned ways in which people interact in social relationships. [The focus is on the <u>patterns</u> rather than the individual.

• Units: Culture, Socialization, Social Class, Inequality

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Sociologists chooses an issue & study the social structure (patterns in which people interact).

And sometimes they propose solutions:

- Booker T. Washingtion--Post-Civil War--discrimination Solutions: Tuskegee Institute
- Jane Addams-IR--business treatment of workers--Solutions: Hull House, women's suffrage, etc.
- Karl Marx-IR--business treatment of workers--Solutions: Workers Unite, Proletariat Revolution

What is a "social" issue???---

How do we turn an issue into something studied by "sociologists"?

- Problem: Lack of support for minority groups who face discrimination
- Solutions: What role should government, non-profits, etc. play in addressing <u>racial tension in schools</u>?? Especially if government contributed to <u>racial tension in schools</u>??
 - > Bella Vista-Students??---Administrators??
 - frators??

Case Studies

> Freedom Writers????--

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Bella Vista clears the air after the brawl

- 1. What were the "fault lines" at Bella Vista?
- 2. What was Bella Vista's solution to the various incidents on campus?
- 3. Was the solution effective? Explain.