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which lists 4,200 places to sell articles, books, short stories, novels, plays, scripts and greeting cards. Includes information on royalties, submission guidelines, manuscript formats, contact information, and tips from successful authors and editors. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR Grounded Encounter Therapy is a discovery, intervention, and application approach which allows the theory which guides the process to be developed from an analysis of the situation or context, rather than imposed at the outset by the therapist. It is a dramatic contrast to psychological theories, particularly psychoanalysis, which impose a specific causal theory at the outset. In GET, on the other hand, the theory emerges from the client-defined context, not the other way around. The book introduces students and professionals an alternative to doing counseling and therapy. Traditional therapist see what they look for, and what they look for they see, and what they see is what their therapeutic modalities allow them to see, and what their therapeutic modalities allow them to see is what they treat. Learn Sociology creates a new paradigm for student-centered learning in introductory sociology courses. Written with 21st century students in mind, this text presents introductory sociology content in a highly interactive format that is both easy to use and highly compatible with digital applications. Drawing on best practices in educational pedagogy, Learn Sociology emphasizes "immersive learning," an approach that pairs critical analysis of sociological concepts with examples from everyday life to engage students actively with the material. Weaved through the text are recurring themes that put sociology into context, such as social structure, social control, social inequality, the social construction of reality, scientific knowledge, and social change. Learn Sociology optimizes learning through enhanced coverage, study, testing, and review while emphasizing the "applying" that reinforces comprehension. Based on a modular concept format, each chapter in Learn Sociology addresses a major concept in the introductory sociology curriculum. Associated with each module are key learning objectives, preview statements, illustrations, and a concept learning check assessment. With Learn Sociology, students have access to immediate computerbased feedback on essay questions that helps them practice writing and revising, reason critically, and grapple with real-world issues. All content in Learn Sociology is highly visual, current, and easy to understand while avoiding distracting and off-topic material. Visual overviews play to dynamic learning and underscore important points. The result is an introductory sociology curriculum that is engaging, consistent, and complete while providing students with a roadmap for learning, reviewing and self-assessment. In the Fourteenth Edition of Sociology: Exploring the Architecture of Everyday Life, David Newman

shows students how to see the "unfamiliar in the familiar"-to step back and see organization and predictability in their take-for-granted personal experiences. With his approachable writing style and lively anecdotes, the author's goal from the first edition has been the same: to write a textbook that "reads like a real book." Many adopters of this book are fans of Peter Berger's classic works, which helped introduce the idea of "social constructionism" to sociology. Newman uses the metaphors of "architecture" and "construction" to help students understand that society is not something that exists "out there," independently of themselves; it is a human creation that is planned, maintained, or altered by individuals. Using vivid prose, current examples, and fresh data, this text presents a unique and thought-provoking overview of how society is constructed and experienced. Instead of surveying every subfield in sociology, the more streamlined coverage (14 chapters) focuses on the individual and society, the

construction of self and society, and social inequality in the context of social structures. This title is accompanied by a complete teaching and learning package in SAGE Vantage, an intuitive learning platform that integrates quality SAGE textbook content with assignable multimedia activities and auto-graded assessments to drive student engagement and ensure accountability. Unparalleled in its ease of use and built for dynamic teaching and learning, Vantage offers customizable LMS integration and best-in-class support. Make your marriage the best it can be by learning the secrets of proactive passion. Using the latest in brain research, This Is Your Brain in Love helps couples become Master Level Lovers by encouraging each mate to bring their healthiest, most balanced and joyful self to their marriage. Dr. Henslin speaks to the vital connection between spirituality and sexuality. He identifies the five types of lovers, with ground-breaking insights and effective solutions for the

challenges presented by each: Scattered Lover Over-focused Lover Blue Mood Lover Agitated Lover Anxious Lover Filled with relatable stories and humor, this is not your boring brain book! Engaging and practical, Dr. Henslin provides an amazingly accurate, scientifically-based brain test to help spot typical brain imbalances. (And ves, most everyone has at least one!) Bonus material offers brain-researched strategies and new hope for women dealing with hormones and men struggling with sexual addictions. Explains how self-delusion is part of a person's psychological defense system, identifying common misconceptions people have on topics such as caffeine withdrawal, hindsight, and brand loyalty. This book places sociological questions about culture, race, and everyday life into a perspective for readers to understand. True Colors is New York Times bestselling author Kristin Hannah's most provocative, compelling, and heart-wrenching story yet. With the luminous writing and unforgettable

characters that are her trademarks, she tells the story of three sisters whose once-solid world is broken apart by jealousy, betraval, and the kind of passion that rarely comes along. The Grey sisters have always been close. After their mother's death, the girls banded together, becoming best friends. Their stern, disapproving father cares less about his children than about his reputation. To Henry Grey, appearances are everything, and years later, he still demands that his daughters reflect his standing in the community. Winona, the oldest, needs her father's approval most of all. An overweight bookworm who never felt at home on the sprawling horse ranch that has been in her family for three generations, she knows that she doesn't have the qualities her father values. But as the best lawyer in town, she's determined to someday find a way to prove her worth to him. Aurora, the middle sister, is the family peacemaker. She brokers every dispute and tries to keep them all happy, even as she hides her

own secret pain. Vivi Ann is the undisputed star of the family. A stunningly beautiful dreamer with a heart as big as the ocean in front of her house, she is adored by all who know her. Everything comes easily for Vivi Ann, until a stranger comes to town. . . . In a matter of moments, everything will change. The Grey sisters will be pitted against one another in ways that none could have imagined. Loyalties will be tested and secrets revealed, and a terrible. shocking crime will shatter both their family and their beloved town. With breathtaking pace and penetrating emotional insight, True Colors is an unforgettable novel about sisters, rivalry, forgiveness, redemption-and ultimately, what it means to be a family. The future of the sociologist's profession is jeopardized by an ongoing trend toward the politicization of sociology and the radicalization of social problems. This book calls for the rethinking of the culture of social, political, and economic liberty to create a resurgence of a sociological

agenda. Social Problems in a Free Society offers an original perspective on social problems such as violations of the principles of individual rights and the free market. This book is a vision for reinvigorating the discipline in a fashion undreamt of within the wearisome strains of today's radical social problems theory. The challenges of teaching a successful introductory sociology course today demand materials from a publisher very different from the norm. Texts that are organized the way the discipline structures itself intellectually no longer connect with the majority of student learners. This is not an issue of pandering to students or otherwise seeking the lowest common denominator. On the contrary, it is a question of again making the practice of sociological thinking meaningful, rigorous, and relevant to today's world of undergraduates. This comparatively concise, highly visual, and affordable book offers a refreshingly new way forward to reach students, using one of the most powerful tools in a

sociologist's teaching arsenal—the familiar stuff in students' everyday lives throughout the world: the jeans they wear to class, the coffee they drink each morning, or the phones their professors tell them to put away during lectures. A focus on consumer culture, seeing the strange in the familiar, is not only interesting for students; it is also (the authors suggest) pedagogically superior to more traditional approaches. By engaging students through their stuff, this book moves beyond teaching about sociology to helping instructors teach the practice of sociological thinking. It moves beyond describing what sociology is, so that students can practice what sociological thinking can do. This pedagogy also posits a relationship between teacher and learner that is bidirectional. Many students feel a sense of authority in various areas of consumer culture, and they often enjoy sharing their knowledge with fellow students and with their instructor Opening up the sociology classroom to

discussion of these topics validates students' expertise on their own life-worlds. Teachers, in turn, gain insight from the goods, services, and cultural expectations that shape students' lives. While innovative, the book has been carefully crafted to make it as useful and flexible as possible for instructors aiming to build core sociological foundations in a single semester. A map on pages ii-iii identifies core sociological concepts covered so that a traditional syllabus as well as individual lectures can easily be maintained. Theory, method, and active learning exercises in every chapter constantly encourage the sociological imagination as well as the "doing" of sociology. Dr. Earl Henslin, explores how the father-daughter relationship affects the adult daughter. Father-daughter relationships damaged by abuse, betrayal and abandonment can be healed and reconnected through understanding and forgiveness. "You Are Your Father's Daughter" is a book for adult daughters (and fathers) who want to heal or improve the

father-daughter connection. It helps readers understand that a daughter's relationship with her father -- positive or painful -- affects who she is today. A daughter's relationship with her father -- positive or painful -- affects who she is today. Every daughter has a deep, God-given need to be nurtured by her father. It is vital to a woman's development. A strong emotional and spiritual connection between a father and his daughter empowers her to achieve her Godgiven potential in the life. It provides a secure and safe foundation from which she can venture into the world. When the father-daughter connection is missing or broken by abuse, the daughter is robbed of the personal identity, feminine strength, private boundaries, selfrespect, emotional health, and spiritual understanding that a godly father can give. This loss and the painful wound that results affects every area of her life -- relationships with men, role in the workplace, search for love and meaning in life. Dr. Henslin offers hope and

healing to every daughter who knows the pain and loss of a broken, missing, or less-thanperfect father-daughter relationship. His compassionate understand and spiritual insight provide a pathway for restoration and a process for rebuilding the father-daughter bridge. "Introduction to Sociology 2e adheres to the scope and sequence of a typical, one-semester introductory sociology course. It offers comprehensive coverage of core concepts, foundational scholars, and emerging theories, which are supported by a wealth of engaging learning materials. The textbook presents detailed section reviews with rich questions, discussions that help students apply their knowledge, and features that draw learners into the discipline in meaningful ways. The second edition retains the book's conceptual organization, aligning to most courses, and has been significantly updated to reflect the latest research and provide examples most relevant to today's students. In order to help instructors

transition to the revised version, the 2e changes are described within the preface."--Website of text. Get Closer. Your Course. Your Way. A vibrant new learning program designed to engage students every step of the way with a modular approach and a dynamic digital experience. Mastering Sociology provides a friendly and accessible introduction to the discipline. MySocLab for Mastering Sociology features engaging student learning experiences including an interactive eText, the New Core Concepts Video Series, and the New Social Explorer. This text is available in a variety of formats -- digital and print. Pearson offers its titles on the devices students love through Pearson's MyLab products, CourseSmart, Amazon, and more. Teaching & Learning Experience This program will provide a better teaching and learning experience--for you and your students. Here's how: Personalize Learning - MySocLab is an online homework, tutorial, and assessment program. It helps students prepare

for class and instructor gauge individual and class performance. Improve Critical Thinking -The author encourages students throughout the program to pause and consider how their own life experiences are influenced by society. This personal approach helps students think critically and make sociological connections to the world around them. Understand the Concepts -Designed as a modular program, chapters are divided into short and easy to read modules that begin with learning objectives and conclude with self-assessment. Engage Students - Each chapter contains student perspectives videos featuring students sharing their experiences and thoughts on sociological topics and issues. Explore **Research - Social Explorer activities connect** with topics from the text, engaging students with data visualizations, comparisons of change over time, and data localized to their communities. Support Instructors - MySocLab, Instructor's eText. Instructor's Manual. Test Item File, Electronic "MyTest" Test Bank,

PowerPoint Presentation Slides, and Pearson Custom course material are available. 1256606014 / 9781256606017 Mastering Sociology Plus NEW MySocLab with eText --Access Card Package Package consists of: 0205206530 / 9780205206537 NEW MySocLab with Pearson eText -- Valuepack Access Card 1256606006 / 9781256606000 Mastering Sociology James Henslin has always been able to share the excitement of sociology, with his acclaimed "down-to-earth" approach and personal writing style that highlight the sociology of everyday life and its relevance to students' lives. Adapted for students studying within Australia, this text, now in a second edition, has been made even more relevant and engaging to students. With wit, personal reflection, and illuminating examples, the local author team share their passion for sociology, promote sociology to students and entice them to delve deeper into this exciting science. Six central themes run throughout this text: downto-earth sociology, globalisation, cultural diversity, critical thinking, the new technology, and the growing influence of the mass media on our lives. These themes are especially useful for introducing the controversial topics that make studying sociology such a lively, exciting activity. Revised and updated from the original, this honest and forthwright look at families of all shapes and sizes will help you down the path of healing (whether you know you need it or whether yo're just not sure). Unlocking Your Family Patterns combines decades worth of counseling wisdom and pastoral care insights into this one practical resource. Your past may hurt, and your family's patterns may have left emotional scars, but your future has not been laid in stone yet. There is hope for healing, there are lessons to learn, and there are paths toward family health. Using clinical, biblical and practical examples to help you uncover the patterns your family has lived in, this book might lead you toward the family u-turn you've been

looking for. A notable contribution to our understanding of ourselves. This book explores the realm of human behavior in social situations and the way that we appear to others. Dr. Goffman uses the metaphor of theatrical performance as a framework. Each person in everyday social intercourse presents himself and his activity to others, attempts to guide and cotnrol the impressions they form of him, and employs certain techniques in order to sustain his performance, just as an actor presents a character to an audience. The discussions of these social techniques offered here are based upon detailed research and observation of social customs in many regions. The twelfth edition's new readings include selections on the unspoken rules of social interaction, the shocking disparities between upper- and lower-class life, America's changing attitudes toward work and family and the roles they fulfill, and the "McDonaldization" of American society. Together with these essential new articles, the

selections by Peter Berger, Herbert Gans, Erving Goffman, Donna Eder, Zella Luria, C. Wright Mills, Deborah Tannen, Barrie Thorne, Sidney Katz, Philip Zimbardo, and many others provide firsthand reporting that gives students a sense of "being there." Henslin also explains basic methods of social research, providing insight into how sociologists explore the social world. The selections in Down to Earth Sociology highlight the most significant themes of contemporary sociology, ranging from the sociology of gender, power, politics, sports, and religion, to the contemporary crises of racial tension, crime, rape, poverty, and homelessness. ALERT: Before you purchase, check with your instructor or review your course syllabus to ensure that you select the correct ISBN. Several versions of Pearson's MyLab & Mastering products exist for each title, including customized versions for individual schools, and registrations are not transferable. In addition, you may need a CourseID, provided by your

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stratification, institutions, and change, A sociology textbook with real-life examples. The most popular book of readings for the Introductory Sociology college market is brought up to date with this fourteenth edition, which includes 30 percent new articles addressing current issues of contemporary sociology. With more than 225,000 copies of previous editions sold, this widely used reader, which supplements traditional sociology texts, has been revised to include stimulating new material for the introductory course as well as classic articles that all sociology students should have. As in the former editions, the focus here is on participant observation—giving students a sense of "being there" as some of the field's top practitioners conduct and report on their investigations. Articles examine diverse topics, ranging from the sociology of gender, power, politics, sports, religion, and wealth to the contemporary crises of violent crime, poverty, internet dating, and cosmetic surgery. In addition, a convenient chart

correlates each article in Down to Earth Sociology to related chapters in each of the thirty-eight most widely used introductory textbooks. This brief and economical reader. edited by Jim Henslin, is specifically designed to be used as a companion to Essentials of Sociology: A Down-to-Earth Approach, Fifth Edition. NATIONAL BESTSELLER • In April 1992 a young man from a well-to-do family hitchhiked to Alaska and walked alone into the wilderness north of Mt. McKinley. Four months later, his decomposed body was found by a moose hunter. This is the unforgettable story of how Christopher Johnson McCandless came to die. "It may be nonfiction, but Into the Wild is a mystery of the highest order." - Entertainment Weekly McCandess had given \$25,000 in savings to charity, abandoned his car and most of his possessions, burned all the cash in his wallet, and invented a new life for himself. Not long after, he was dead. Into the Wild is the mesmerizing, heartbreaking tale of an enigmatic

young man who goes missing in the wild and whose story captured the world's attention. Immediately after graduating from college in 1991, McCandless had roamed through the West and Southwest on a vision guest like those made by his heroes Jack London and John Muir. In the Mojave Desert he abandoned his car, stripped it of its license plates, and burned all of his cash. He would give himself a new name, Alexander Supertramp, and, unencumbered by money and belongings, he would be free to wallow in the raw, unfiltered experiences that nature presented. Craving a blank spot on the map, McCandless simply threw the maps away. Leaving behind his desperate parents and sister, he vanished into the wild. Jon Krakauer constructs a clarifying prism through which he reassembles the disguieting facts of McCandless's short life. Admitting an interest that borders on obsession. he searches for the clues to the drives and desires that propelled McCandless. When McCandless's innocent

mistakes turn out to be irreversible and fatal. he becomes the stuff of tabloid headlines and is dismissed for his naiveté, pretensions, and hubris. He is said to have had a death wish but wanting to die is a very different thing from being compelled to look over the edge. Krakauer brings McCandless's uncompromising pilgrimage out of the shadows, and the peril, adversity, and renunciation sought by this enigmatic young man are illuminated with a rare understanding-and not an ounce of sentimentality. Into the Wild is a tour de force. The power and luminosity of Jon Krakauer's stoytelling blaze through every page. Having worked for three decades to develop urban ministries, Campolo suggests ways that churches can help resurrect beleaguered inner cities, illustrating proven methods used in Camden, New Jersey. A vibrant new learning program designed to engage students every step of the way with a modular approach and a dynamic digital experience. Mastering Sociology provides a friendly and accessible introduction to the discipline. Dr. Sam Parnia faces death every day. Through his work as a critical-care doctor in a hospital emergency room, he became very interested in some of his patients' accounts of the experiences that they had while clinically dead. He started to collect these stories and read all the latest research on the subject, and then he conducted his own experiments. That work has culminated in this extraordinary book, which picks up where Raymond Moody's Life After Life left off. Written in a scientific. balanced, and engaging style, this is powerful and compelling reading. This fascinating and controversial book will change the way you look at death and dying. Carefully explains and illustrates ten key reading skills that are widely recognized to be essential for literal and critical comprehension. Provides activities and reading selections to help you practice and master those skills. For junior/senior-level courses in Religion and Society in departments of Sociology and

Religious Studies. Using an unbiased, balanced approach, the 8th edition of this text puts religion in its social context by discussing the impact of society on religion and helps students understand the role and function of religion in society that occur regardless of anyone's claims about the truth or falsity of religious systems. The author is a proud sponsor of the 2020 SAGE Keith Roberts Teaching Innovations Award enabling graduate students and early career faculty to attend the annual ASA pre-conference teaching and learning workshop. Join the conversation with one of sociology's best-known thinkers. In the fully updated Fourth Edition of Essentials to Sociology, bestselling author George Ritzer shows students the relevance of sociology to their lives. Adapted from Ritzer's Introduction to Sociology, this text provides students with a rock-solid foundation in a shorter and more streamlined format. Students will learn about traditional sociological concepts and theories, as well as some of the most

compelling contemporary social phenomena: globalization, consumer culture, the Internet, and the "McDonaldization" of society. Packed with current examples and the latest research of how "public" sociologists are engaging with the critical issues of today, this new edition encourages students to apply a sociological perspective to their worldview—empowering them to participate in a global conversation about current social problems. Digital Option / Courseware SAGE Vantage is an intuitive digital platform that delivers this text's content and course materials in a learning experience that offers auto-graded assignments and interactive multimedia tools, all carefully designed to ignite student engagement and drive critical thinking. Built with you and your students in mind, it offers simple course set-up and enables students to better prepare for class. Assignable Video with Assessment Assignable video (available with SAGE Vantage) is tied to learning objectives and curated exclusively for this text to bring concepts to life. LMS Cartridge (formerly known as SAGE Coursepacks): Import this title's instructor resources into your school's learning management system (LMS) and save time. Don't use an LMS? You can still access all of the same online resources for this title via the passwordprotected Instructor Resource Site. SAGE Lecture Spark Designed to save you time and ignite student engagement, these free weekly lecture launchers focus on current event topics tied to key concepts in Sociology. C. Fred Alford interviewed working people, prisoners, and college students in order to discover how people experience evil-in themselves, in others, and in the world. What people meant by evil, he found, was a profound, inchoate feeling of dread so overwhelming that they tried to inflict it on others to be rid of it themselves. A leatherjacketed emergency medical technician, for example, one of the many young people for whom vampires are oddly seductive icons of evil, said he would "give anything to be a vampire."

Drawing on psychoanalytic theory, Alford argues that the primary experience of evil is not moral but existential. The problems of evil are complicated by the terror it evokes, a threat to the self so profound it tends to be isolated deep in the mind. Alford suggests an alternative to this bleak vision. The exercise of imagination-in particular, imagination that takes the form of a shared narrative-offers an active and practical alternative to the contemporary experience of evil. Our society suffers from a paucity of shared narratives and the creative imagination they inspire. "This Is Your Brain on Joy is a thoughtful, practical, life-changing book that will help you take advantage of the latest neuroscience research—combined with biblical insights-to bring more joy and love into your life." —from the Foreword by Daniel G. Amen, MD Author and speaker for the PBS special Change Your Brain, Change Your Life What does your brain have to do with experiencing joy? A lot more than most of us realize. In this

breakthrough book, Dr. Earl Henslin reveals how the study of brain imaging turned his practice of psychotherapy upside down—with remarkably positive results. He shares answers to puzzling questions, such as Why isn't my faith in God enough to erase my blue moods? Why haven't I been able to conquer my anger? Pray away my fear and worry? Why can't I find freedom from secret obsessions and addictions? Using the Brain System Checklist, Dr. Henslin explains what happens to the 5 Mood Centers in the brain when any of those areas are out of balance. This is great news, especially for those tortured by the fear that something is fundamentally wrong with them when the problem actually lies between their ears. Read this practical, easy-tounderstand, and often entertaining book, and you'll know exactly how to nourish your mind, balance your brain, and help others do the same. After all, the capacity for joy is a terrible thing to waste. This text introduces students to the study of law from a sociological perspective by

focusing on four themes: the relationship between law and society; law in everyday life; the role of race, class and gender in the legal system; and current political debates that are connected to law. While explaining the essentials elements of law, and drawing on scholarly literature and relevant cases, the author does not advocate for normative views on law and the legal system. The text compares laws across various societies, discusses international law. and demonstrates how the laws of certain countries affect those of others--providing readers with insights into the nature of law within any society. "A sociological understanding of social problems. "" ""Social Problems: A Down to Earth Approach, "11/e is a theoretically balanced text that provides the latest research and a consistent structure to help students analyze critical social problems facing the United States." "The author presents both sides of an argument with a neutral voice and uses a "down-to-earth" writing style. By using this text,

not only do students gain a sociological understanding of social problems, but also they are able to explore and evaluate their own opinions about specific social problems. They will gain a greater awareness of the social forces that shape their orientations to social problems and their perspectives on social life. The ideas in this book penetrate students' thinking and help give shape to their views of the world. MvSocLab for "Social Problems "features an engaging student experience including an interactive eText, the New Core Concepts Video Series, the New Social Explorer. Teaching & Learning Experience "Personalize Learning"" -"MySocLab is an online homework, tutorial, and assessment program. It helps students prepare for class and instructor gauge individual and class performance. "Improve Critical Thinking"" "- Thinking Critically About the Chapter - At the end of each chapter are several questions designed to help students evaluate what they have read. These questions also lend themselves

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