

CRITICAL THINKING QUESTIONS (PAPER 1)

Choose one topic from the list below. Your answers should be 3 pages long and double-spaced with font not less than 12pt. Make sure to cite the sources for your paper using the APA style.

1. How does the concentration of power in the hands of a few corporations affect competition? What are the consequences of this?
2. Is day care good for children or not? Present the evidence that is available to decide this issue. How can we make day care better?
3. Describe the three major types of family violence. What social conditions have been shown to underlie each type of family violence?
4. Why is the definition of “growing up” more difficult than it used to be? What are the achievements that lead people to say that someone has become an adult? Why is adolescence longer than it was several generations ago? What difference does social class position make in the time frame for “growing up”?
5. Discuss the benefits and disadvantages of Medicare and Medicaid as solutions to the problems in the health field.
6. According to the conflict perspective, in what ways does education work as mechanism to limit the opportunities of the less powerful in society.
7. In what ways does technological advance lead to a loss of privacy in people’s lives?
8. Assess both sides of the argument about whether advances in technology will produce more employment in the futures.
9. What counts for the increase in homelessness in the United States in recent decades?
10. Describe the ways in which the mass media contribute to the social construction of the crime problem? Give examples of how this concept works?