

# SOC 205 Week 1: Reflections and Discussions

## Purpose

For this reflection, you will examine your community and social change.

## Option 1

Our question for this reflection is: What cultural, historical, and environmental circumstances shape how your community experiences social change? To answer this question, we will create a visual representation of our community, and reflect on what we learned.

Step 1: Choose a community you are a part of. It may be your city, county, or region. It also may be your spiritual community, activist community, or village in which you spent your childhood. It's okay if you don't communicate with this community frequently... However, choose a community that is important to you and one in which you identify as a member. Choose one that has some members who are at least 50 years old.

Step 2: Create a picture of your community in Padlet. To access our Padlet for this assignment, click [here](#). Your entries should include:

- My Community: This is where you'll post content that illustrates your community. This section includes a basic description of your community.
- Cultural: This is where you'll post content that illustrates how culture shapes your community's experience with social change.
- Historical: This is where you'll post content that illustrates how history shapes your community's experience with social change.
- Environmental: This is where you'll post content that illustrates how the environment shapes your community's experience with social change.

You may add more than one entry in each section if you like. For more information on how to use Padlet: [Instructions for using Padlet](#)

Step 3: Explore the communities of other students. How are they the same or different from yours? Interact on Padlet by adding 3 to 5 comments or likes to other students' entries.

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Step 4: Write a short reflection on what you learned, or what questions you still have related to your community and social change, or the communities of the other students. Please define and apply at least one sociological term or concept. Please do this in Padlet.

## Criteria for Success

This assignment is worth 3 points, including

- your initial illustration and post (150-200 words),
- defining and applying at least one sociological term or concept,
- and your response to another student.

Your response could answer what made you think, what made you curious to know more, or what did you resonate with. The response should be 100-150 words and go beyond "Great answer" or "Good Job."

Also, as good scientists, we cite our sources. Please remember to use parentheses in your text, like (Krouskop 2022:3), AND add the complete citation at the end of your post.